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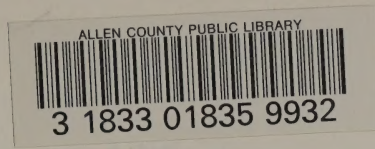
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For the major portion of the items contained in this book, we acknowledge our indebtedness to the files of the "Centre Reporter."

Our appreciation is likewise expressed to the many citizens of the community and to former residents who rendered valuable assistance in the accumulation of the material contained herein.

We call your attention to the many advertisements contained in this book. These advertisers by their generous support, have made this book possible.

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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
CENTRE HALL FIRE COMPANY
(INCORPORATED FEB. 5, 1940)

OF
CENTRE HALL, PENNSYLVANIA

CENTRE HALL FIRE CO.
CENTRE HALL, PA.

Form of Obligation

I promise, as a member of this organization, to work to the interest of it and uphold its principles. I furthermore agree that I will not injure a Brother Fireman by word or deed, and that on leaving the organization, by my will or by the will of others, I will promptly return all property belonging to this Company in my possession.

And I will not discuss the private business of the Company, except among members, and will not divulge what takes place in the meetings.

—Preamble—

Whereas, in all well regulated societies certain laws and rules are adopted as necessary for the order thereof; therefore we the members of this Company do, for the purpose of furthering the object for which we have united, agree to support the following code of laws.

Article I

Name of Company — Location

This Company shall be known and designated by the title of: "CENTRE HALL FIRE COMPANY." Location and business address: Centre Hall, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

Article II

—Membership—

The members of this Company shall be residents of the borough of Centre Hall, such members to be designated as **ACTIVE MEMBERS**. Honorary members may be elected at the discretion of the Company. Honorary members shall be accorded all privileges of the Company except the right to vote and hold offices.

Article III

Election and Appointment of Officers

The officers of this Company shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary, assistant secretary, chief and first, second and third assistants to the chief (said assistants to be appointed by the chief to serve a term of one year) treasurer, and three trustees. The trustees shall be elected for a period of three years, one to be elected each year with the senior member to act as chairman of the board of trustees.

All other officers shall be elected annually, nominations for officers shall be made at the regular meeting (the second Tuesday in November) preceding the annual election which shall be held at a regular meeting — the **SECOND TUESDAY** in **DECEMBER**.

The election of officers shall be by written or printed ballot. The candidate receiving a majority of votes shall be declared elected, but in the case no candidate received a majority of the votes cast on the first nor the second ballot, then the election shall be confined to the two candidates who have received the highest number of votes cast and all other candidates shall be dropped.

Article IV

Duties of the President

It shall be the duty of the president to preside at all meetings of the company and maintain order therein. He shall have no vote on any question that may come before the meeting, except in the case of a tie vote, when he shall decide the question. He shall sign all orders, drafts and jointly with the secretary appoint all committees, unless otherwise provided for by the Constitution and By-laws of this Company, call all extra meetings whenever he deems it necessary, or at the written request of five members and he shall see that the Constitution and By-laws of this Company are enforced.

Article V

Duties of the Vice-President

It shall be the duty of the vice-president to perform all of the duties of the president in his absence.

Article VI

Duties of the Secretary

It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a correct roll of the company and to call the same at every meeting of the company; to keep full minutes of the proceedings; it shall be his duty to notify members in writing of all meetings ordered by the president, such notice to be mailed or delivered to each member at least twenty-four hours previous to such meetings.

The secretary shall notify every newly elected member of such election within one week after the time thereof and shall furnish him with a copy of the Constitution and By-laws. He shall maintain and post in the hall a roster of all members of the company.

Article VII

Duties of the Treasurer, Bond, etc.

It shall be the duty of the treasurer to give a receipt to the secretary for all money paid to him by the secretary and to safely keep the same for the benefit of the company. A newly elected treasurer shall, before accepting any money or securities of any description from a retiring treasurer, give a bond to the company for the faithful performance of his duty, with a surety for the sum of \$250.00 or more, depending on the value of said money and /or/ securities in the treasurer's hand, said bond may be renewed as often as the company may deem proper, expense of said bond to be maintained by the Centre Hall Fire Company as long as said treasurer's services are without salary.

It shall be the duty of the treasurer to report quarterly, or as often as requested by the company, the state of funds; he shall not dispose of any money belonging to the company unless ordered by the company or on a written order from the president and secretary.

Article VIII

Duties of the Trustees

It shall be the duties of the trustees to take charge of and hold all property belonging to the company; they shall have charge of all rooms and see that they are always kept in good order; they shall report all matters pertaining to the business of the company at the regular meetings.

The trustees shall be permitted to submit certain house rules for approval by the company; they shall submit to the secretary, annually, a report covering the inventory of fire company equipment.

Article IX

Duties of the Chief.

It shall be the duty of the chief to take command of the company at every fire and alarm of fire; to obtain the discharge of the company as soon as possible after the fire is extinguished; to observe that each member does his duty; to grant leave of absence to a member at a fire when he may deem it proper and see that all property and equipment of the company is kept in good condition and ready for use at all fires. He shall submit a report covering all runs made by the truck and all fires attended at the meeting following.

It shall be the duty of the chief to see that only members of the company shall participate in fighting fires or in any activity pertaining to the duties of the Centre Hall Fire Co.

Article X

Duties of First Assistant Chief

It shall be the duty of the first assistant chief to aid the chief in the discharge of his duties and in case of absence of the chief to officiate in his stead, adhering to all the duties of that officer.

Article XI

Duties of Second and Third Asst. Chiefs.

It shall be the duty of the second and third assistant chiefs to assist the chief and first assistant chief and in the absence of both, to take charge and perform their several duties.

Article XII

Duties of Members

It shall be the duty of each member to report immediately to the hose house on every alarm of fire. The member arriving first at the hose house will act in the capacity of chief during his absence, and disperse from the house all improper persons.

Those unable to get to the hose house promptly upon alarm of fire will proceed immediately to the scene of fire and there report to the chief or officer in charge. All members will make an effort to attend all meetings of the fire company.

Article XIII

Committees, Elections, etc.

A vigilance or elective committee of five members shall be appointed, SECRETLY, at each annual meeting by the president.

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the vigilance committee to inquire into the character and competency of all candidates for membership, referring to them by the terms "favorable" or "unfavorable" as the case may be. They shall also inquire into the causes of neglected duty when required by the company.

Section 2. All candidates for membership shall be publicly proposed at a meeting and referred to the vigilance committee who shall report on said candidate in writing.

Section 3. An election of members may be held at a regular meeting of the company. No person shall be voted on unless he shall have paid his initiation fee of \$1.00 and have been reported favorably to the company by the vigilance committee. If elected the \$1.00 initiation fee shall be credited to the newly elected member as his first year's dues.

Candidates shall be considered elected to membership if, when the vote is taken, five (5) or more dissenting votes are not cast against the candidate. In the event five (5) or more dissenting votes should be cast against the candidate, the president shall require those members, casting the dissenting votes, to present to him, in writing, their reasons for opposing membership to the candidate. These reasons must be reported separately by each dissenting member, but need not be signed.

In the event these expressed reasons for denying membership to the candidate do not appeal to the president as being justifiable, it shall be the duty of the president, at the next regular meeting, to declare the ballot at the previous meeting to be nul and void and declare the candidate or candidates elected.

Section 4. Any vacancies occurring among the officers of the company shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by appointment by the president.

Article XIV

Delinquent Members

If a member at any time shall become delinquent in payment of his annual dues for a period of three months, he shall be immediately notified of same by the secretary and, if not paid by the next regular meeting, he shall be declared no longer a member of the company. Said action shall be recorded upon the minutes of the company and notice of suspension shall be delivered, in writing, by the secretary to the suspended member.

Said suspended member may be reinstated at a regular meeting of the company, by not less than a two-thirds maj-

ority vote of the voting membership present and upon payment of annual dues from date of delinquency, plus an additional fee of fifty cents (50c).

Article XV

Roll Call, Meetings, etc.

Section 1. The annual meeting of the company shall be held the second Tuesday evening in December at 7:30.

Section 2. The regular meeting shall be held the second Tuesday evening of each month.

Section 3. Special meetings may be held at any time, provided proper time and notice be given members, as directed in ARTICLE VI.

Section 4. Seven (7) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 5. On calling the roll each member present shall answer to his individual name and no other, except the officers, who shall answer for those who have been excused.

Article XVI

Privileges, Penalties, etc.

Section 1. A member doing duty as an officer, under conditions previously described, shall for the time be subject to all the privileges of the office he fills.

Section 2. For disobeying orders, for divulging the name of one or more members of the vigilance committee, or making known to any person not a member any remarks made at a meeting, for disclosing a vote against a candidate for membership, or any private business of the company may be expelled from the company.

For willfully damaging anything pertaining to the apparatus or hose house, for altering, defacing or damaging the roll, or for taking the property of the company or equipment of members from the hose house, or if any member shall render himself incapable for duty by the free use of liquors or visit the hose house in the state of intoxication, he may be expelled from the company.

All expulsions for misconduct as detailed in above two paragraphs, shall be by ballot and by not less than a two-thirds majority of the voting members present.

Article XVII

Expulsion for Neglect of Duty, etc.

Whenever it is evident that a member is repeatedly deficient in his duty, or that he does not exert himself to

arrive at the hose house in response to an alarm, or to attend regular meetings, he may be requested by the chief to state his reasons for such neglect and, if the reasons given are not deemed sufficient, he may be expelled from the company by ballot and by not less than a two-thirds majority of the voting members present.

Article XVIII

Regulations for Business Meetings

Section 1.

1. Roll Call
2. Reading of Minutes and Questions on Approval.
3. Collections of Fees and Dues.
4. Resignations and Expulsions.
5. Report of Officers.
6. Report of Committees
7. Nomination of Members.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Bills Presented and Action on Same.
10. Nomination and Election of Officers and Members.
11. Miscellaneous . . . Roll Call and Adjournment.

Section 2. The chairman shall preserve order and decorum, appoint committees and shall have none but the casting (deciding) vote.

Section 3. Any member may appeal to the meeting from the decision of the chairman on a point of order; the question shall be: "Do you sustain the chair?" It shall be decided by a majority of vote.

Section 4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission of the chair.

Section 5. A member wishing to speak on any question must arise and address himself to the chair, and if two members arise at the same time, the chair shall decide which member is entitled to the floor.

Section 6. No motion shall be open for discussion or entertained until stated by the chairman.

Section 7. When any question is put to vote every member present shall vote for or against the same unless excused by the chair.

Section 8. A motion to adjourn shall be in order when not detrimental to the company's interest, to be decided by the majority of the members present.

Section 9. The routine of business may be varied when necessary by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present. This change to be effective for the current meeting only.

Article XIX

Amendments

No amendments may be made to this Constitution except at a regular meeting. The amendment must have been laying on the table at least one month and must then receive the concurrence of at least two-thirds of the voting members present.

Article XX

Dues

The annual membership dues to this company for Active and Honorary Members shall be \$1.00, payable in advance.

Unanimously adopted, at regular meeting of the Centre Hall Fire Co., April 9, 1940.

CENTRE COUNTY

Centre County was erected February 13, 1800. William Swansey, Robert Adams and Andrew Gregg, the trustees specified in the Act of Assembly erecting the county, met in Bellefonte on the 31st day of July, 1800. The first court held in Bellefonte was the Quarter Sessions of November, 1800 before Associate Judges James Potter and John Barber, February 24, 1801. John Hall, David Barr and Matthew Allison, County Commissioners, levied the first County Tax, amounting to \$1,755.50.

The population of Centre County, in 1800, was 37,922.

Discovery of Penn's Valley

Captain James Potter, in the summer of 1764, was the first white man to enter Penn's Valley. He was then an officer in the British provincial army. Having obtained a leave of absence, he set off with one attendant in the summer of 1764.

Passing up the west branch, he reached the mouth of Spring Creek, then he took to the mountains, and having reached the top of Nittany Mountain, Captain Potter, seeing the prairies and noble forest beneath him, cried to the attendant: "By heavens, Thompson, I have discovered an empire!"

Immediately descending into the plain they came to a spring, at what is now the Old Fort, one mile from Centre Hall. Here the adventurers found themselves without food, and for two days and nights, flesh scraped from dried beaver skins was their only subsistence. The men finally found their way to Fort Augusta, near Sunbury. (From 5/31/'94 Reporter files)

Potter Township

Potter Township was erected in 1774 and at that time embraced all of Penn's Valley. First survey within its bounds was the manor of Nottingham, September 23 and 24, 1766. Among the early settlers, from 1766 to 1811, to whom land patents were granted, we find the names of Samuel Maclay, John Croyle, Thomas McKean, William McKee, Squire Barber, John King, William McCormick, George Latimer, George Thompson, Godfrey Twells.

Continuing we find John Smith, William Nesbit. Greater part of above surveys were later owned by General Potter.

North of the manor known as the Wistar lands, a number of applications were surveyed in June, 1774 in the names of Joseph Knight, Peter Smith, John George Sanff and John Cumming.

The Janet Sharon, on which Centre Hall is now located, was surveyed in June, 1774, and patented to William Maclay and remained in his family until sold by Mr. Lyon to Mr. Hoffer.

The Old Fort Farm and Dr. W. I. Wilson farm, north of it and lying between the manor and John Croyle of 1766, were taken up by Geo. Potter in 1772 and 1773. East of Janet Sharon (now Centre Hall) lay the David Harris warrant of July 27, 1774 and James Potter of January 5, 1773.

Centre Hall

In 1846 Henry Whitmer built the first improvement of any consequence in Centre Hall—a large building occupied as a hotel and store, whose site was marked by an old log school house. It became a post office station the same year. Located on the turnpike connecting Bellefonte with Lewistown, the village grew gradually and was supplied by excellent mountain water by the Centre Hall Water Company, incorporated June 30th, 1858.

John Hoffer laid out the principal part of the town in 1867-68, on his farm gotten from his father, Christian Hoffer, in 1862. "Centre Hall Station" was laid out in September, 1884, by John B. Linn for the heirs of Mary P. Wilson and General James A. Beaver. The Borough was incorporated, including Centre Hall Station, by decree of Court September 12, 1885.

Very little record of the village seems available prior to 1868, except as noted above. Beginning April 3rd, 1868 "The Centre Reporter" was issued weekly and it is from these files that we now present the following pages. Many weeks have been spent in the preparation of this material and if you enjoy reading this "review of the past" as greatly as we enjoyed preparing it, we shall feel that our time has been well spent.

THE CENTRE REPORTER was established at Aaronsburg in 1827 by Ludwig Kurtz, and was printed in German, carrying the name of "Der Bericht."

As the English language became more general, the paper—two pages—was printed on one side in English and on the other side in German.

Mabel Arney
REGISTERED PHARMACY
PRESCRIPTIONS
CAREFULLY COMPOUNDED
CENTRE HALL, PA.

D. W. Bradford
McCORMICK DEERING
FARM MACHINES
IMPLEMENTS AND TRACTORS
(Retired from business Dec. 31, 1940)
PHONE 31R5 CENTRE HALL, PA.

As recorded previously, the printing establishment was moved to Centre Hall in 1868, by Frederick K. Kurtz, son of Ludwig Kurtz. It was first printed on the second floor of the old meat market property (now a portion of the Centre Hall Hotel block). Some years later the Reporter was moved into a building attached to the south side of the residence of Mr. Kurtz (now owned and occupied by Miss Sara McClenahan).

In the summer of 1900, Sylvester W. Smith purchased the paper from Mr. Kurtz. A year later Edward E. Bailey, a mere lad, came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith and at once—in the vernacular of the printer—started to “learn the case”—standing on a box to reach the type cases. After a few years the office was moved across the street to the D. A. Boczer property (now owned by George Rimmey and occupied by R. Stanley Brooks as an Auto Supply & Service Station and electrical equipment Store).

In 1913 Centre Hall’s weekly newspaper again moved, this time into their own home, a handsome 3-story brick structure.

In 1914 Mr. Bailey became a partner and this partnership continued until Monday morning, January 29, 1940 when the hand of Death wrote “Thirty”—the newspaper man’s term for “the end” to the life of the Senior partner.

Thursday, February 29th, Mr. Bailey printed the last issue of The Centre Reporter. “Thirty” was again written . . . the end of a publication that had served the south side of Centre County for over 113 years, seventy-two of these from Centre Hall.

In the early years of publication at Centre Hall, as was the practice of all weekly papers at that time, very little local news was published. In the first issue of 1868 we find mentioned:

“Bell & Bell have broken ground for a fine brick dwelling for Jacob Dinges and the residence of Alex. Shannon on Church Street will soon be ready for occupancy . . . It is rumored that a half dozen other gentlemen plan erecting homes during the summer.” Local advertisers are:

DR. P. D. NEFF

Physician and Surgeon with 18 years’ experience

GEORGE DURST

\$20 reward for arrest of person who stole his white pig

WM. TOBIAS

Reward for return of two white pigs strayed or stolen

S. G. SHANNON

Notice to those owing him to pay and save costs

J. REIBER

Tinware, silverplating for buggies

J. D. MURRAY

Manufacturer of all kinds of buggies, Spring-Wagons,
2-horse Wagons, repairs

DR. P. SMITH

Physician

CENTRE HALL MANUFACTURING AND MACHINE WORKS

Harvey D. and Geary Van Pelt, Proprietors.—Manufacturers of
Shaftings, Pulleys, Hangers, Iron and Brass Castings, Neff Reaper
and Mower, Hockendorn plows and plow Castings. Dealers in Tin
and Sheetiron ware, stove pipe and spouting, buckets, cups,
dippers, dishes, etc.

H. DASHER

Broom Corn Seed.

CENTRE HALL HOTEL

John Spangler, Propr. Stage arrives and departs daily for all
points north, south, east and west.

C. F. HARLECHER, General Merchant

Drygoods, notions, Fish, wood and willow ware, dress goods,
hoop-skirts, harness.

WM. WOLF, General Merchant

Dry goods, groceries, flannels, muslins, calicoes, shawls,
syrops, mackerel and herring.

CENTRE HALL FURNITURE ROOMS

J. O. Deininger Makes to order all kinds Bedsteads, bureaus,
sinks, washstands, corner cupboards, tables, etc.

A. D. SWARTZ

Ice Cream, Confectionery and Fruit Store

GEORGE BARNS

Boots & Shoes, shoe repair work

TAN YARD — MILLER & BADGER

Highest market prices paid for Hides and Tanner's Bark.

C. WASSON & CO.

General Store

Open for business January, 1870

JOHN C. KEMP

Products of the Milroy Woolen Mills. My wagon will soon stop
at your door. Wool, lard and soap taken in exchange.

BROOKS SERVICE STATION

R. STANLEY BROOKS, Prop'r.

Lubrication — Car Washing

Official Automobile Inspection Station No. 2249

Philco Radios and Refrigerators

Centre Hall, Pa.

PETER FREED'S NEW TAILOR SHOP

(rear Spangler's Hotel) Coats, Pants, Vests for men and boys
cut and made to order

J. B. SOLT

Entirely new stock, drygoods, groceries, queensware, fish, salt,
everything to be found in a well stocked country store. Highest
prices paid for country produce, in trade.

JACOB DINGES

Saddlery—Saddles, harness, collars, bridles, whips, etc.

ANDY REESMAN

Tin and Sheet Iron Ware. Purchased Tin shop from C. H. Mfg. Co.

The preceeding list of local advertisers appeared in the issues
of 1868, 1869 and 1870. Many of these new enterprises, starting
in business during above period.

As we move along with time we find in later years, 1871 to 1873,
the following concerns in business in Centre Hall:

GEORGE B. HARPSTER

Carriage Manufactory - Carriages, Buggies, Wagons (plain
and fancy) Fashionable Sleighs

HERLACHER & CRONMILLER

General Merchandise

LEVI MURRAY

Coach Manufactory - Carriages, Buggies, Wagons

GEISS & COMPANY

Lightning Rods and Weather Vanes

C. PECK

Coach Manufacturing - Carriages, Buggies, Spring Wagons
Sleighs and Sleds — Repair work by PECK & LEE

W. A. CURRY

Boots & Shoes - Made to order and according to style

GIFT & FLORAY

New Shoe Store - Shoes, Gaiters and Slippers

A. W. GRAFF

Dress Goods, Groceries, Provisions, Boots, Shoes,
Hats, Caps and Carpets

S. S. WOLF

(successor to Harlacher & Cronmiller) - General Store
Big stock bought at the low panic prices and will sell
entire stock at lowest prices since the war!

Items that may be of interest during these years are reference to the proposed railroad thru Centre Hall. Under date Sept. 15, 1871 we read:

"Last Tuesday well deserves to be a memorable day for on that day ground was broken for the roadbed of our long wished-for railroad. Messrs. VanDyke & Moore, contractors for that portion of the road from three miles east of Centre Hall to Oak Hall arrived at Spring Mills with a portion of their force."

February 12, 1873 . . . Progress Grange, No. 96, Patrons of Husbandry was organized on this date by Frank Porter of Lycoming County, with about thirty members. The first officers were: John Arney, Master; Leonard Rhone, Overseer; John Sankey, Steward; David Reinsmith, Asst. Steward; Daniel Fleisher, Chaplain; Dr. Peter Smith, Lecturer; James Keller, Secy; Geo. Boal, Treas.; Lafayette Neff, Gate Keeper; Mrs. Leonard Rhone, Ceres; Maggie Keller, Flora; Susan Hoffer, Pomona; Mrs. M. A. Neff, Lady Assisstant Steward.

December 15, 1871 . . . Mr. John Hoffer, on Tuesday, had surveyor Trczulny over here to open a new street. It will extend from Mr. Alexander Shannon's corner, on Church Street, southward to the railroad.

These lots will be very desirable and are already much in demand. Esq. Pruner assisted and will make a draft of this new location.

April 1, 1873 . . . The new bank, at this place, went into operation today. Its title is "The Penn's Valley Banking Company." This institution will be quite a convenience to the people on this side of the county as a bank at this point will save many a trip across the mountain.

The firm consists of: Messrs. Jas. A. Beaver, John Harris, J. D. Shugert, John and Peter Hoffer. Cashier, Mr. Wm. B. Mingle.

May 15, 1873 . . . Mr. John T. Lee of this place measured all the snows that fell in Centre Hall the past winter. There were thirty-three snows with a total of 8 feet, 7 inches.

October 16, 1873 . . . Miller & Son have just opened a drug store in town. Their adv. lists: Pure Drugs and Medicines, Chemicals, Oils, Dye Stuffs, Perfumery, Notions, Fancy Articles for

Brooks' Dairy

MILK, CREAM & CHOCOLATE MILK
PHONE 185 R 3 CENTRE HALL, PA.

J. Harold Durst

ADEQUATE WIRING FOR
LIGHTING, APPLIANCES, POWER
PHONE 32R11 CENTRE HALL, PA.

Toilet, Pure Wine and Liquors (for medicinal purposes) choice cigars and Tobaccos. Prescriptions carefully compounded.

September 24, 1874 (Thursday) — FIRST CENTRE COUNTY GRANGERS' PIC-NIC.

Held in Leech's Woods, near Centre Hall, it was a great success. Enjoyed by all of the nearly 3000 who attended. At 11:30 a. m. following officers were elected:

President: Christian Dale, Sr. of Victor Grange.

Vice-Presidents: John Rishel, Progress Grange; G. W. Campbell, Victor Grange; A. J. Thompson, Half Moon Grange; M. P. Weaver, Logan Grange; R. G. Brett, Centre Grange; George Taylor, Bald Eagle Grange; Christian Alexander, Providence Grange; Jas. M'Clintick, Spring Mills Grange; Robt. M'Night, Benner Grange; Henry Sankey, Fairview Grange; John Musser, Potter Grange and Jacob C. Smith.

Secretaries: Christian Dale, Jr., Union Grange and David Young.

Exercises were then opened by prayer by Rev. Hartsock of Boalsburg. Deputy Leonard Rhone delivered the address of welcome after which Capt. John A. Hunter, of Half-Moon Grange, was then introduced as the speaker. He spoke of the origin of the Patrons of Husbandry and their objectives, the necessity for farmers to pay closer attention to the advancement of agriculture and the importance of making their farms less irksome to their sons and make agriculture more attractive to them.

At noon eight or ten acres of the woodland were dotted with many hundreds of tablecloths and a feast was enjoyed by all. Following dinner a parade formed, headed by the Boalsburg band and the Pine Grove Mills Band in the centre. The Marshalls, heading the procession, were Col. Weaver and Capt. Geo. M. Boal.

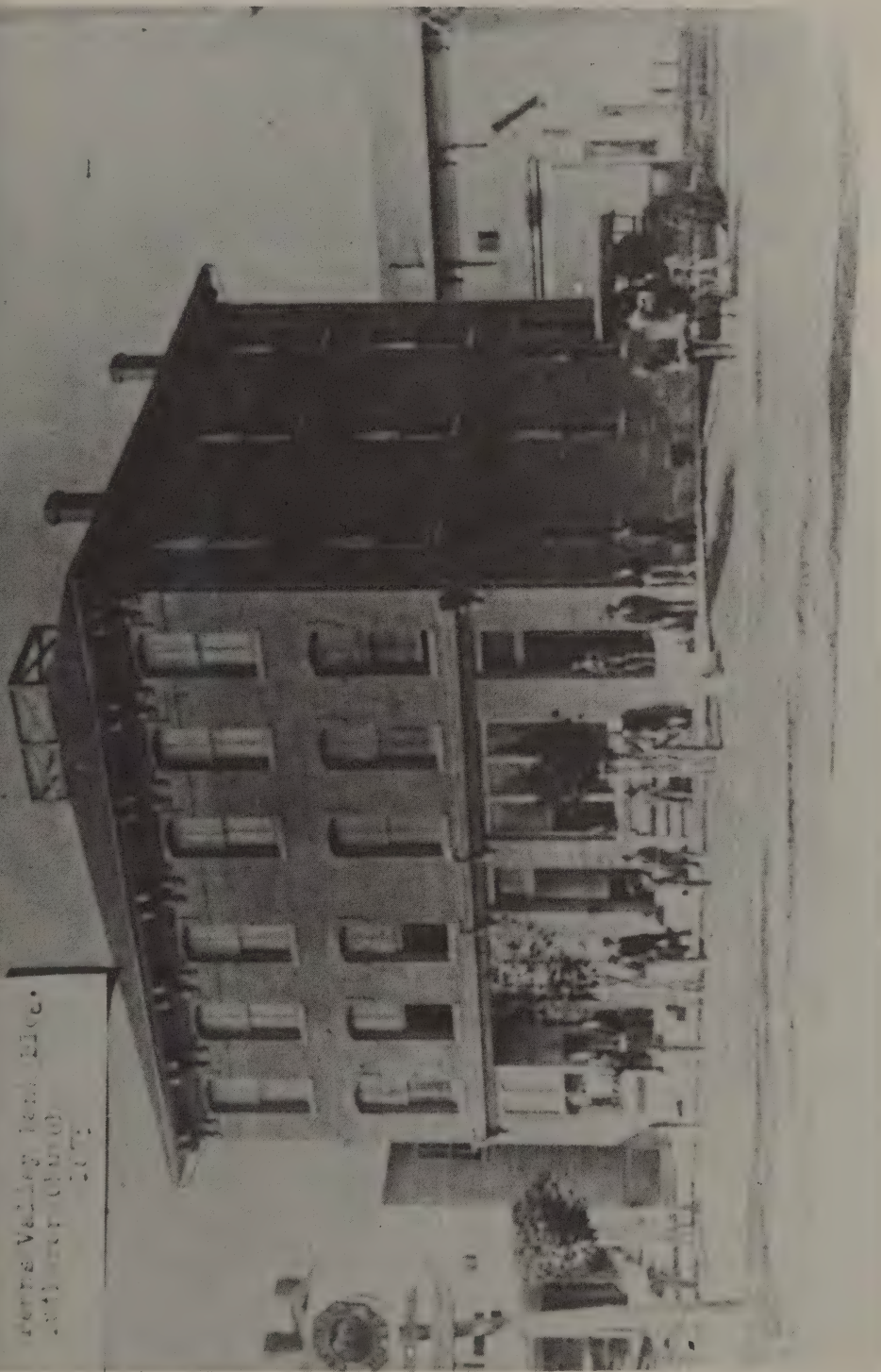
Following the parade the Declaration of Principles was read by Henry Keller followed by address by Col. James F. Weaver of Milesburg.

The event was the largest of the kind ever held in the county and will be long remembered.

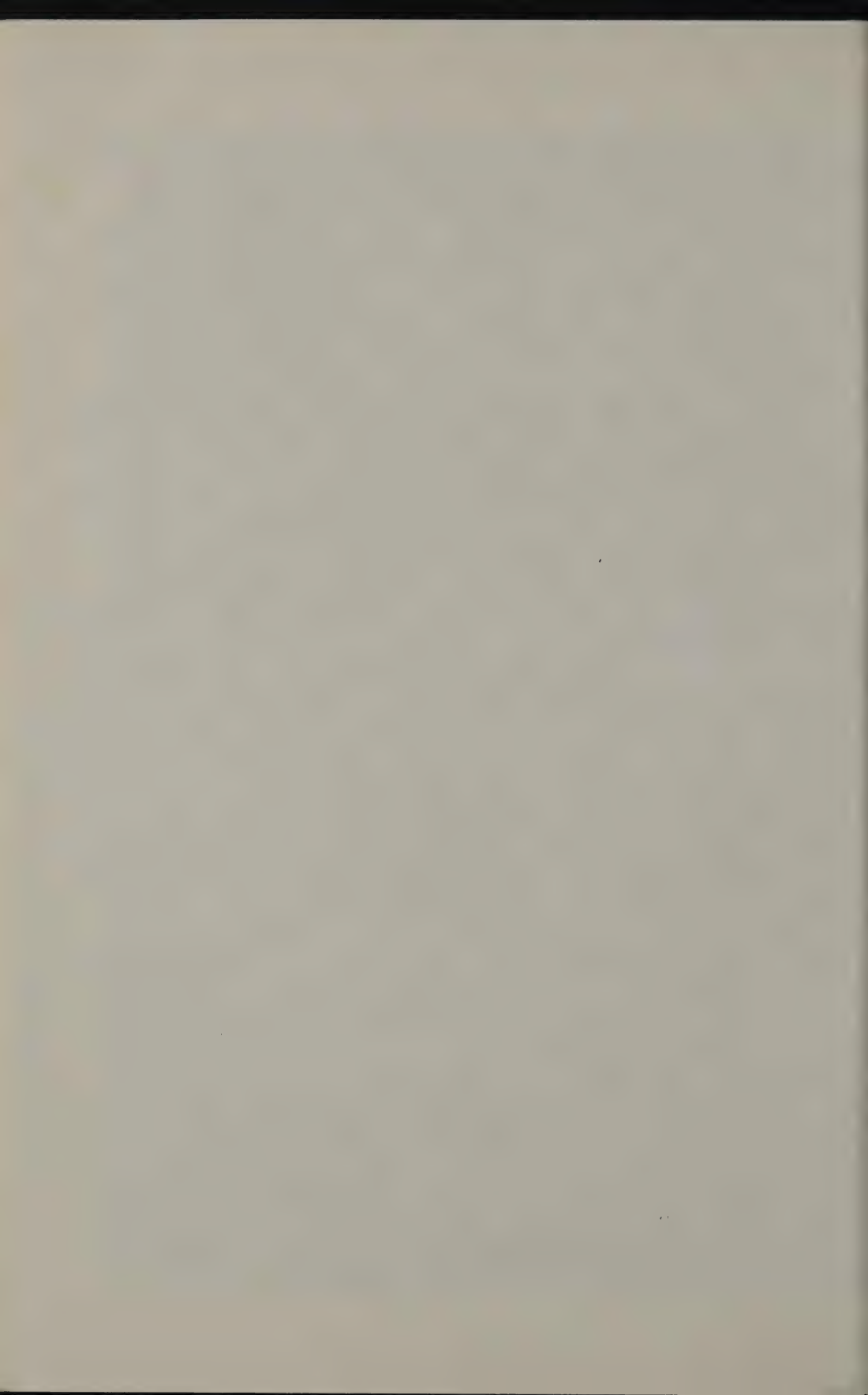
January 7, 1875 . . . The Stage Coaches from Union County now reach Centre Hall at noon and depart again at 2 o'clock each day, thus making connections with the Bellefonte and Millroy Stages coming and going.

December 10, 1874 . . . Van Pelt & Shoop announce taking possession of the Centre Hall Foundry and Machine Shops formerly operated by Van Pelt and Van Pelt. They will manufacture:

Penn Valley Land Elic.
1875



Photograph taken in 1875. From left to right we see: Drug Store, Penn's Valley Banking Company building, small building originally used by the Banking Co., and the Second Lutheran Church. Except the church, which was destroyed by fire in 1884, these buildings are still in use and are in excellent state of repair. We acknowledge our indebtedness to W. L. Jacobs for use of original photo.



True-Blue Corn Planter, Horse Powers, Threshing Machines & Shakers, Plows, Stoves, Oven Doors, Kettle Plates, Cellar Grates, Plow Shears & Mill Gearing. Special Triple Gear Horse Power, Excelsior Plow. All kinds iron work such as Planing, Turning, Boring, etc.

January 15, 1875 . . . Centre Hall Lodge, No. 895, Independent Order of Odd Fellows was instituted by Dis. Deputy Grand Master D. H. Parker of Philipsburg assisted by Past D. D. G. M., J. S. Barnhart of Bellefonte and Past L. G. Dom of Philipsburg and other officers of the Grand Lodge of Pa.

Charter members were as follows: Past Grand, Robert McCormick; Noble Grand, Henry P. Sankey; Vice Grand, Samuel S. Farner; Secretary, Joseph M. Gilliland, Ass't. Sec'y., B. D. Brisbin, Treasurer, John G. Sankey, Right Supporter to Noble Grand, D. R. McClintick; Left. S. to N. G., John I. McCormick; Warden, Geo. L. Goodhart; Conductor, Samuel K. Emerick; Right Scene Supporter, O. Perry Rearick; Left S. S., Wm. W. Leichty; Chaplain, Rev. J. K. Miller; Outside Guardian, William R. From; Inside Guardian, Jonathan Searfuss, Right Supporter to Vice Grand, Philip Messinger; Left S. to V. G., John W. Krumbine. J. Thomas Farner, Jacob Holloway and John C. Kemp..

(The Lodge met for a time in second story of the drug store, moved shortly to a third story room in the Penn's Valley Banking Company building where they remained until spring of 1917 when they purchased their own building from the Simon Harper estate, Pennsylvania Ave and Decatur, where they meet each Thursday evening. Present enrollment is approximately one hundred.)

August 19, 1875 . . . Old Fort Lodge, No. 537, F. & A. M. was constituted and officers installed, in their room on second story of the drug store, Thursday, August 19, 1875, by District Deputy Grand Master H. T. Beardsley of Lock Haven. Delegations from Lock Haven, Bellefonte, Milroy, Lewistown and McVeytown were present. Officers installed: Wm. B. Mingle, Worshipful Master; Julian A. Fleming, Senior Warden; Daniel C. Keller, Junior Warden; Robert McCormick, Treasurer and Clemens F. Harlacher, Secretary.

In addition to the above the following are likewise Charter Members: Henry R. Smith - James P. Odenkirk - Harry C. Beamer, Oliver P. Rearick.

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In 1877 the Lodge moved to the Penn's Valley Banking Company building, located on the corner of Pennsylvania Ave. and Church St. at which place they continue to meet the second Monday of each month. (Present membership 141. Twenty-one members were with the armed forces of the U. S. A. World War No. 1.)

February 3, 1876 . . . BOARD WALKS NEEDED - The Centre Reporter has this to say: More board walks are badly needed in this place. From Reesman's to Sloat's the mud can't be beat. Likewise from the postoffice to the lower end of town. It cost but \$5 to \$6 to lay a board walk across a lot. Who will be the first?

March 20, 1876 . . . THE HORNS for the new Centre Hall Band have arrived and now look out for the walls of Jericho. There is excellent band material here. Jerome Spiegelmeyer, Dr. Jacobs, Fred Meyer, Gust Wolf and L. Meyer have belonged to other bands thus giving the organization the advantage of experienced "blowers."

December 26, 1876 . . . The "Centre Reporter" moved from its former location a few doors south on the first floor of the Editor's property.

We were ably assisted by Chas. Derstine, Reuben Spangler, Will Richard, Henry Moyer and John Krumbine with Wm. P. Shoop as machinist. The "fitting" was a success.

January 11, 1877 . . . Ezra Krumbine—Having bought out the stand of J. O. Deininger offer full line of made-to-order bureaus, sinks, wash stands, corner cupboards, etc.

March 1, 1877 . . . John T. Lee—Having taken charge of the blacksmith shop, lately of C. E. Peck, in connection with my carriage and wagon manufactory. If you want a well-made wagon, buggy, sleigh, sled, or anything else to hitch to a horse, give me a call.

March 29, 1877 . . . Centre Hall Hardware Store, J. O. Deininger A new and complete hardware store. Building and house furnishings, circular and hand saws. Glass, Mirror Plate, etc. etc. etc.

Ira Cottle — Fashionable Tailor — Second floor Gift & Flory building. All kinds men's and boy's garments made to order.

W. R. Camp — Furniture Rooms & Undertaking — Complete line of furniture. Coffins and Caskets always on hand. Funerals attended with elegant NEW HEARSE. Payments easy. Have a patent Corpse Preserver in which bodies can be kept for a considerable time.

D. F. Luse, Painter — House, Sign and Ornimental painting and paper hanging.

April 12, 1877 . . . The winter term of the Centre Hall common schools, under Prof. Wm. A. Krise, principal and Miss Aggie Murray and Mrs. C. E. Wolf, teachers, closed with an interesting entertainment last Thursday evening, at which the three grades were represented. Participants all did well. The Centre Hall Cornet Band was present and discoursed music in its best style.

April 19, 1877 . . . On Tuesday night, after the last shower, a sneak-thief or thieves entered my house through a window and ransacked it and mixed up things in general and set our plants outside. They also entered the whiskey cellar of John Odenkirk and with an auger bored the bungs. We suspect certain local parties. A repetition will result in arrests. (signed) Wm. Erhard.

March 28, 1878 . . . J. Nolan, Merchant Tailor, upstairs in building formerly occupied by the Centre Reporter.

C. C. Conser, Merchant Tailor — In Bank Building.

Hurrah for Churchville. It has received a post office and is now called Tusseyville, with S. M. Swartz as Post Master.

Sept. 5, 1878 . . . Guggenheimer & Co., I. Guggenheimer, Propr. In the Centre Hall Hotel, John Spangler, Propr. . . . Complete line Dress Goods and Clothing.

October 3, 1878 . . . A toll gate was put up at the lower end of Centre Hall last week.

J. C. M'Entire . . . Dentist. Permanently located in Centre Hall and in position to do all kinds dental work. All work warranted or no money asked. Prices low to suit the times.

J. D. Murray, Druggist. (Successor to J. K. Miller & Son) Prescriptions compounded by Dr. J. F. Alexander.

October 31, 1878 . . . H. E. Zerbe At Zerbe's Centre Hall Brick Yards, where they are being constantly manufactured.

November 7, 1878 . . . Jerry Miller . . . Fashionable Barber and Hair Dresser. In basement Bank Building.

January 16, 1879 . . . Henry Boozer Manufacturer of Saddles, Harness, Bridles, Collars, Flynets . . . All kinds repairing done.

July 10, 1879 . . . Lessons in music . . . I will commence teaching instrumental music in Centre Hall the first week in August, next. References by known musicians will be furnished—Minerva Gift.

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Penn's Valley Institute . . . Fall session will open 28th of July, next. Healthful and beautiful situation of Centre Hall makes this a very desirable and pleasant place for students. Board can be had for \$2.00 per week. Special advantages to those preparing to teach. — H. F. Bitner, A. B., Principal.

October 30, 1879 . . . George Bell Tailor and Renovator will be happy to meet the wants of all desiring clothes made in the latest style and most approved fashion. Room 1, over the Bank.

March 18, 1880 . . . Julian A. Fleming—Geiser's Self-Regulating Grain Separator, Peerless Traction and Domestic Steam Engines — Novelty Hay and Grain Rake.

April 15, 1880 . . . Sudden death of Dr. P. D. Neff. A most sorrowful and perhaps unheard of occurrence in the annals of medicine. Wednesday morning the Doctor left town to visit Mrs. Bumgardner about a mile below Centre Hill. Finding the lady, who is a daughter of Mrs. Willow of town, in a critical condition he remained until afternoon, partaking of a heavy meal at noon. In the late afternoon he sent for the assistance of Dr. Jacobs. About four o'clock, while at the bedside of his patient, he suddenly sank in his chair and expired without drawing a breath. Dr. Jacobs arrived about five minutes later to find Dr. Neff dead, beside a dying mother with her dead babe. We doubt whether a like picture of sadness ever occurred under similar circumstances. Dr. Neff was aged 63 years, 4 months and 15 days.

April 22, 1880 . . . Amputation of the leg was performed last Thursday upon George Meese, a young man of 25, son of Jacob Meese, of Tusseyville. Amputation at middle of the thigh was performed by Dr. Alexander of this place, assisted by Drs. Musser, Van Valzah and Jacobs.

June 24, 1880 . . . Centre Hall will petition next court to be incorporated into a boro. Census figures show Potter Township 2376, an increase of only 18 over the 1870 enumeration.

Sept. 16, 1880 . . . J. D. Ross, Fashionable Tailor has opened rooms over Wolf's Store where he is prepared to make suits and all kinds of garments upon short notice.

Miller Farner's New Confectionery in Bank Bldg. Candy Toys, Raisins, Nuts, etc. — Oysters by dish or quart.

April 7, 1881 . . . B. F. Wiser Have opened shops opposite Lutheran Church for all branches of BLACKSMITHING with many years of experience.

Dr. G. W. Hosterman, Dentist Office at residence opposite Lutheran Church. Satisfaction in all branches of profession assured.

April 21, 1881 . . . Clevan Dinges, agent Lewistown Marble & Granite Works.

May 12, 1881 . . . M. Condo—The Rolling Pulley Gate. Can be opened with ease a few inches, or 15 feet or raised to permit passage of hogs. Erected for \$1.50 to \$2.00

August 25, 1881 . . . Prof. Kurzenknabe's Singing Class will commence its first lesson this evening, in the Lecture Room of the Lutheran Church, and continue each evening for two weeks. Account of prayer meeting in the several churches the lesson tonight will commence at 8¼ o'clock instead of 7½.

January 12, 1882 . . . William A. Sandoe Merchant Tailor. Ready in room 2nd floor bank building to do all kinds of work in my line. Abundance of samples on hand.

January 26, 1882 . . . Centre Hall Carriage Shops — J. O. Deininger, Proprietor, J. W. Henney, Superintendent. Manufacture and keep on hand at all times Carriages, Buggies, Spring Wagons, Sleighs. Repairing a specialty.

March 30, 1882 . . . John Mullen — Opening new store, general line of merchandise, all new stock. Highest prices paid for produce.

Centre Hall now has five ministers, majority living in the lower end of town. The good Lord seems to know where they are most needed.

December 21, 1882 . . . J. Q. A. Kennedy—Jewelry, - Variety gold and silver watches with chains, Bracelets, Pins, Cuff and Collar Buttons . . . Also agent NEW HOME Sewing Machine.

January 25, 1883 . . . The Centre Hall boys have one of the best coasting routes in the state. They start from the top of Nittany mountain, one mile from here, and come sailing down right into town at rail road speed.

February 15, 1883 . . . Miss Puella Dornblazer organized a Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in the Lutheran Church with the following officers to serve one year: Pres. Miss Flora O. Neff; V. Pres. Mrs. Michael Derstine; Rec. Secy. Miss Lizzie Harpster; Cor. Sec. Miss Joanna Atherton; Treas. Mrs. Moses Richard.

Centre Hall Carriage Shops — J. W. Henney, Samuel Shoop (Successors to Deininger & Henney)

April 5, 1883 . . . On the 22nd of last month Arthur, son of A. S. Kerlin, in attempting to board a freight train near the Ax factory at Tyrone for the purpose of riding home, met with an accident which resulted in the loss of his left leg. The 19 year old lad also received serious back and head injuries.

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Daniel Protzman — Will open Boot and Shoemaker Shop April 1 in the Durst Building and asks for a share of your trade.

June 28, 1883 . . . Dr. J. F. Alexander, a recently appointed Notary for Centre Hall has experimented on hatching chicks artificially and has had a number of peepies as a result.

August 16, 1883 . . . Telephone communication can now be had from Centre Hall to State College, Bellefonte, Boalsburg, Snow Shoe, Altoona, Lock Haven, Williamsport, Wilkes-barre and intermediate points.

Dr. Jacobs called the "Reporter" office over his telephone recently and Rev. Dr. Fisher, who was in the Jacobs office, treated us to a serenade on the organette.

Centre Hall Hotel, D. J. Meyer, Prop'r.

For Summer Boarders and Transient Custom. Good Table, healthy locality, pure mountain water, surrounded by finest natural scenery in the state. Schools and Churches convenient. Terms very reasonable.

Mr. John Odenkirk is obtaining signatures to a petition asking the railroad company to locate the station near the Old Fort. We would then have to move our town out there, sure; that's all we'd hate about it.

January 2, 1884 . . . The Railroad is Coming! — After many years' delay and a recent demand on the part of the P. R. R. for an additional \$25,000 from the citizens of Pennsvalley, to which the local committee consisting of Samuel Gilliland, Fred Kurtz, Wm. Wolf, Wm. McFarlane and John I. Thompson, Jr. flatly refused, the P. R. R. this week agreed to advance the sum of \$145,000 to the Lewisburg & Tyrone Railroad Co. for completion of the line from Spring Mills to Lemont, settlement of the right of way to be secured by the citizens' committee of Pennsvalley. Governor Curtin is credited with having brought pressure against the terms of the P. R. R., to which he referred as being d----outrage.

April 2, 1884 . . . Harper & Kreamer New Store in largest and best rooms in Penns Valley. Complete stock dry goods, dress goods, hats, caps, boots, shoes, glasswares, fish, salt, tobacco, segars, — all kinds produce taken.

S. Avilda Long — Milliner and Fancy Store, French Millinery Goods, new goods received weekly. Dress making a specialty.

April 23, 1884 . . . Henry Boozer . . . Has now opened his meat-market in building near the Hotel, has erected a refrigerator and will have fresh meat at all times.

November 3, 1884 (Monday) . . . Beginning of Our Railroad . . . Today the first train passed over the rails from Montandon to Oak Hall. The train, composed of six passenger cars, was chuck full

of people from Coburn, Spring Mills, Centre Hall and Linden Hall. Centre Hall was almost depopulated. At Oak Hall there was a very large delegation from that section and Bellefonte, among others was Gov. Curtin, E. C. Humes, Ed and Ev. Blanchard, Judge Hoy, A. O. Furst and other prominent citizens. The excursion train added some 600 to the already immense crowd and the Linden Hall Band was on hand discoursing excellent music. Hon. Samuel Gilliland prepared a royal feast at his mansion for the R. R. officials, the local committee, Gov. Curtin, D. Hess, Dr. Hammil, Irvin, Slifer, Coburn, Blanchards, Bockerhoff, Bucher and Mackey.

Following the noon hour the group was called together and addresses were delivered by Col. Mackey, Gov. Curtin, Judge Bucher, Col. Coburn, after which an hour was spent in social chat. A similar grand celebration was held about seven years ago at Spring Mills when the railroad had been brought to that point.

May 6, 1885 . . . The upper end of the Centre Hall Water Works has been relaid with larger main and is a decided success as to pressure and greater water supply. The job was under contract by D. F. Luse. The extension to the railroad will be completed this week, under contract by D. K. Geiss, and parties wanting to build in that direction will be sure of a good water supply.

Wes Henney's Coach Shop, on Church Street, is up and adds to this year's improvements in town. Wes is a good coach maker.

Two new parsonages are under way in this town, one by the Reformeds and the other by the Evangelicals.

July 17, 1885 . . . Kurtz Roller Flouring Mills Now in operation and ready to manufacture flour and feed. Highest market prices paid for grain.—Kurtz & Son.

It won't be many days until the Stage Coach between Centre Hall and Bellefonte will be among the things of the past—the opening of the railroad will be the cause. Years ago this was one of the liveliest Stage Coach routes in central Pennsylvania, when coaches between Bellefonte and Lewistown were drawn by four horses and the fare was only 25c between these two points.

The Centre Hall Fire Company Respectfully acknowledges
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Centre Hall Becomes A Borough

September 12, 1885 . . . Argument Court was held in Bellefonte and, upon a petition presented about two years ago, Centre Hall was incorporated into a borough as of this date. Viewers were appointed on suit of damages presented by Daniel Fleisher against the Centre Hall Water Co. for laying a 2½ inch water pipe through his lots along western edge of same along the turnpike. Other lot owners consider the water-line has increased the value of their lots.

November 4, 1885 . . . The borough has elected its first officers. Selection is as fair a selection as could have been made: Burgess, John Rishel; Ass't Burgess: Jacob Ripka; Councilmen: Simon Harper, E. G. Van Pelt, Wm. R. Camp, C. F. Harlacher, D. J. Meyer, Michael Derstine.

Judge of Election: John Spangler; Constable: C. W. Bollinger, High Constable: Wm. H. Ruble; Overseers of Poor: H. D. Van Pelt; Emanuel Smith.

School Directors: G. W. Hosterman, J. F. Alexander, Wm. A. Jacobs, B. D. Brisbin, C. D. Runkle, J. W. Henney. Auditors: J. C. Boal, Jas. H. Lohr, Clevan Dinges.

M. Willow — The Centre Hall Bakery is better than ever prepared to furnish with fresh bread, rolls, cakes.

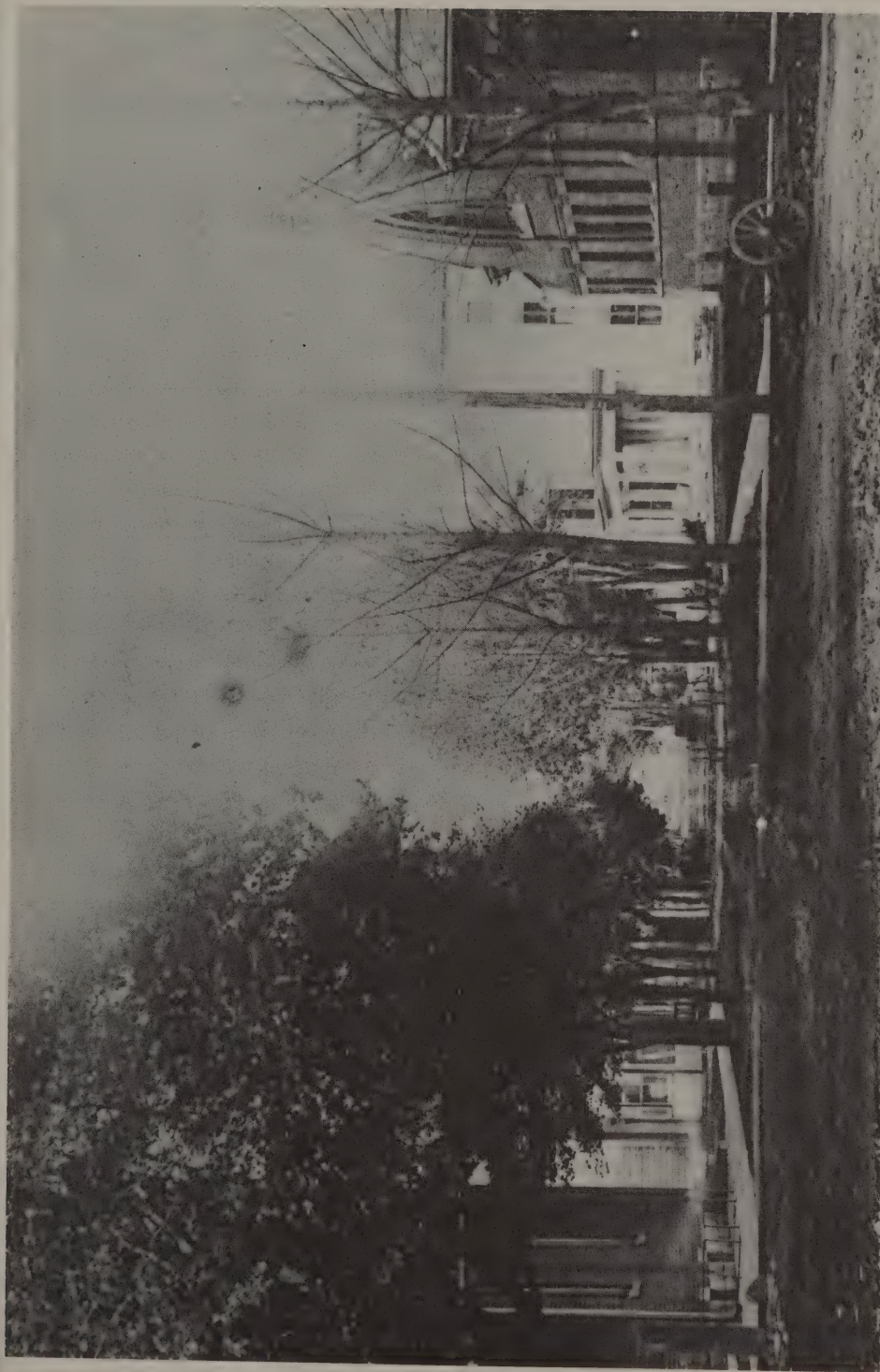
November 26, 1885 . . . Centre Hall's Boom . . . The town has shown quite a spirit of improvement within the past ten months. The aggregate will reach the sum of \$50,000 which is mighty good for a small town. Following is list of recent improvements: Mr. Grenoble, grain house, etc. \$1,600; F. Kurtz, roller mill, 2 houses \$15,000; J. O. Deininger, planing mill \$1,600, Jas. Smith, house, etc \$800; Mrs. Brisbin, house \$500; D. C. Keller, stable \$500; M. Musser, house \$600; Chas Bollinger, shop \$175; W. Henney, shop \$500; W. H. Bartholomew, store, dwelling, etc. \$3000; R. R. Depot, \$1,200; A. S. Kerlin, house wareroom, etc \$1,400; Miss Snyder, house, etc \$800; Reformed Parsonage, etc \$1,800; Evangelical Parsonage, etc \$1,500; John Spangler, addition to house \$500; Lutheran Church, \$11,000; Wm. Wolf, on house \$500; Water Company extension, \$1,025.

Centre Hall has a school board without schools. The township board has our schools under control until close of the year. The borough board can be thankful—having nothing to do they will at least escape the cussing, the usual thanks active school directors get.



From an old faded photograph, taken in 1885 by the late Charles W. Derstine, we reproduce here the view of Centre Hall as it appeared at the time of its incorporation into a borough. Note the old Reformed Church, north corner of cemetery; The Methodist Church with its original steeple towering to the sky. The Lutheran Church does not appear as this photograph was taken shortly after the church had been destroyed by fire. The old foundry buildings may be seen in the center of the picture. The original photograph is the property of C. Wm. Boozer, to whom we are indebted for its use.





Church St., Centre Hall, Pa.



February 10, 1886 . . . VanPelt Shoop & Co. — In addition to our Foundry and Machine Shops we are erecting a large warehouse, implement and seed store. Farm implements and machines of all kinds, Engines, Boilers, Saw Mills, Wagons, buggies, reapers, mowers, rakes, drills, cultivators. Repairing

Shires & Kennedy — Pennsylvania and New York. Manufacturer's Agent's for Henley Monarch Fence Machine. Stretches wire tighter, any number of strans, up and down hill alike.

M'Cormick Brothers — (Successors to W. R. Camp) Largest stock of Furniture ever brought to Centre Hall . . . UNDERTAKING a specialty. Coffins, Caskets, Shrouds, Robes, etc. Funerals attended with the finest hearse in the county.

May 4, 1887 . . . Centre Hall has ten stores: Wolf's, Harper & Kreamer's, Dale's, Kennedy's, Murray's, Ludwig's, Boozer's, Shirk's, Bartholomew's and Lohr & Strohmeier's.

James H. Lohr — Insurance. Representing Covenant Mutual Benefit Association and Union Central Life Insurance Co. of Ohio. and various first class Fire Insurance Companies.

W. H. Bartholomew — General Merchant — New goods arriving daily. See new spring styles. Just received large lot of fish at astounding low prices.

E. A. Glenn & Company, J. Q. A. Kennedy, Mgr. Fine silverware, gold pens, pencils, rings, gold and silver spectacles. Silverware, spoons, forks, cuttelry, pocket knives, revolvers, sewing machines, watches (Elgin, Rockford, Waltham) Lamps, clocks.

School teachers elected for following term: Prof. Mauger, S. K. Emerick 2nd grade and Miss Maggie Hannah, primary

January 5, 1888 . . . Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Centre County, Pa. Annual Meeting at the house of D. J. Meyer at Centre Hall for election of 12 Directors for ensuing year. Monday, Jan. 9, 1888. D. F. Luse Secy. Fred Kurtz, Pres.

At above annual meeting it was reported that over \$230,000 fire insurance was written past year. Following directors were elected: Frederick Kurtz, Pres., S. J. Herring, V. Pres., Wm. Wolf Treas., D. F. Luse, Secy., Daniel Brumgard, Samuel Slack, H. C. Campbell, Wm. McFarlane, H. E. Duck, J. B. Fisher, Jacob Bottorf, J. G. Bailey, J. H. Musser, S. J. Herring, Samuel Gramley.

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May 8, 1888 Little John Hosterman was severely burned on the hand when he picked up a white-hot piece of tire iron at the Harpster blacksmith shop.

July 19, 1888 Will the boro fathers adopt measures for extinguishing fires, before any of a serious nature happens? We have the best natural facilities in the world and a few dollars spent in this direction may save thousands.

Sept. 27, 1888 — The Patrons' Picnic closed Thursday evening. The attendance Wednesday was no less than 10,000. All trains being over crowded, altho there were as many as ten coaches to a train and trains arrived every few hours. Music was furnished by the Centre Hall, Tusseyville, Troxelville and Millheim bands.

May 31, 1889 — The Johnstown Flood . . . Thousands of Lives Lost.

Following extremely heavy rain fall for a number of days the immense reservoir, in the mountains above Johnstown, broke. The water, 30 to 80 feet deep, deluged the city picking up buildings and carrying everything in its path to destruction.

Men, women and children were picked up as they rushed for safety and were thrown about in the foaming waters. When the on-rushing waters reached the roundhouse where over a hundred locomotives were stored the immense structure crushed as tho it were but an egg shell. Locomotives were picked up and hurled in the air; the iron monsters were seen to roll along crashing over one another reeling and toppling and were made mere toys in the arms of the destructive element.

The flood traveled at the rate of a mile a minute and before the people could realize the situation were hurled into eternity.

Early estimate of the loss is set at twenty-five millions of dollars.

While Johnstown suffered tremendously, and by far the greatest of any other community, the cloud bursts and extremely heavy incessant rains for the week brought havoc and death throughout the state.

In our immediate vicinity there was comparatively little damage but the Millheim-Coburn section suffered heavily. In this district we read of the complete destruction of hundreds of heads of cattle, horses, sheep and swine as well as barns, stables, homes, saw mills, foundry, — complete destruction of pikes, bridges, thousands of dollars' worth of good farm land completely washed away. The Coburn-Elk Creek district, alone, conservatively estimates their loss at \$79,500 - The Millheim-Pine Creek territory adds another \$50,000 loss.

The P. R. R. Yards at Tyrone suffered tremendous damage. From Port Matilda eastward the farm land is flooded and washed away . . . In the Narrows the Mann Axe works almost completely

ruined . . . Great damage reported at Alexandria with 100 lives lost . . . Renovo reported washed away with heavy loss of life . . . Millions of dollars damage at Williamsport, bridges all swept away . . . All important railroad and other bridges throughout major portion of state seriously damaged or completely washed away . . .

Five or six cousins of Rev. Dr. Fisher of Centre Hall are among the lives lost in Johnstown.

There will be no train service from Bellefonte farther east than Spring Mills for at least one week. Mail is being transported from Bellefonte to Lewistown by carriage.

While it has been the desire of the author to confine the copy of these pages to local historical items, it is felt that the above very short review of central Pennsylvania's major disaster will be of interest, particularly to the younger generation who are, to a great extent, of the opinion that destruction and death was confined almost entirely to the city of Johnstown and its suburbs.

Nov. 1890 — R. Frank Bartholomew of this place met a sad death this week while engaged in loading logs in Hecla Gap for J. C. Dale, jobber for Graham & Co.

While engaged in moving a stack of logs, an under log rolled, throwing the top log upon Mr. Bartholomew, catching him in the abdomen. He was immediately put on the truck and taken to the camp where all possible assistance was given, but his internal injuries were so great that he died at 12:45, about two hours after the accident.

December 14, 1890 . . . Wesley Henney has returned home from Altoona where he has secured a job as blacksmith in the new car shops. Centre Hall loses a fine mechanic.

December 23, 1890 . . . On this date a borough ordinance was adopted, signed by G. W. Bushman, Burgess, James Coldren, President, Attest by D. K. Geiss, requiring removal of snow from sidewalks within two hours after the snow ceases to fall, otherwise same will be removed by street commission at expense to the property owners.

April 30, 1891 . . . The Centre Hall Water Co. this week began work on a new reservoir in the mountain. The present one, built only a few years ago, will be too small with the increased population of Centre Hall and its several new manufactories. The

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new reservoir will be located about 500 feet up the mountain on the first "bench" where an abundant supply of water from a spring has been found. Dimensions will be 100' x 50' and about 10 feet deep.

June 11, 1891 . . . Street Commissioner Dauberman, has the stone crusher, owned by the pike company, at work on the new borough street to the depot. The small hill in front of Robert Foreman's has been cut down two feet and the council shall also authorize grading of the hill at the Presbyterian church, cutting it down about two feet.

February 11, 1892 . . . William H. Runkle has closed his meat market. Will has learned that "tick" is the curse of business. It is astonishing and a shame how many will try to cheat a neighbor out of an honest bill.

February 18, 1892 . . . The spring election on Tuesday resulted in the following borough officers being chosen: Chief Burgess, Fred Kurtz, Jr., - Assistant Burgess, W. H. Runkle, Jr. - Council, J. F. Alexander, E. G. Van Pelt, D. L. Bartges. - School Directors, E. M. Huyett, G. W. Hosterman, - Overseer, Daniel Fleisher - Tax Collector, W. A. Sandoe, - Judge of Election, John Spangler. - Inspector, John Dauberman, Jr. - High Constable, Russell Meyers, - Treasurer, H. W. Creamer. - Assessor, D. A. Boozer. - Auditor, J. W. Wolf.

Mr. D. W. Reynolds who recently bought the W. H. Runkle meat market has also purchased the Spangler stand and will now consolidate the two.

April 7, 1892 . . . The town was astir last week for several days with wagons loaded down with household effects of our citizens who were "on the move." Charley Arney moved into the house vacated by Amos Koch, who removed to the Huyett & Meyers farm near Linden Hall; W. R. Camp into the house vacated by Mr. Arney; J. Shannon Boal from near Linden Hall into W. R. Camp's late residence; D. W. Reynolds from Reedsville into house vacated by Arb Catherman; Cyrus Goss from Boalsburg into house vacated by A. J. Reesman who flitted into Mrs. Smith's house opposite the Reporter office; Alf Lee into Dinges Store property; John Strunk of Milesburg into house vacated by Lee; John Martz into house vacated by James Worl who moved to Bellefonte and John Puff and bride into house vacated by Martz.

May 19, 1892 . . . ELECTION BOOTHS. The Baker Ballot Act, which becomes effective this year will be tried at the fall elections for the first time. It requires considerable apparatus such as guard rails, booths, ballot boxes, etc. Equipment for entire county was purchased by the commissioners at a cost of \$1,277.55. Centre Hall, having 120 registered voters, will receive 1 booth with two annexes. An opportunity will be given voters to see a demonstration of this new equipment, at the court house, Friday of next week.

June 9, 1892 . . . W. W. Boob, Carriage and Wheel Shop. Buggies, platform spring wagons, road wagons and carts. Excellent material used, prices reasonable.

August 18, 1892 . . . The new firm of Huyett, Meyer and Boozer, operating the foundry and machine shops for the past months are making decided improvements. A new addition, 25 x 45 ft. will be used as the erecting department for corn planters, which is the specialty of the company. It is two stories in height and affords the necessary additional space for this enterprising concern. Henry Boozer, who supervises all departments, states the company will put out 1,000 corn planters this year.

G. O. Benner . . . Good brown sugar 4c. Good everyday pants 99c, Black and white striped shirts 40 cents. One Webster unabridged dictionary left for \$2.00. Everything close for cash only . . . Cash is King. Still have a few nice hams and shoulders.

Cora M. Boob . . . Having received a fine line of new hats, bonnets and sailers for the fall season, an inspection of the same as to price, quality and style is requested.

September 8, 1892 . . . School Board at last meeting raised the salaries of the primary and intermediate grade teachers from \$28 to \$32 per month. The grammar school teacher receives \$50 per month. The instructors are very much pleased with this increase.

James Gregg was elected chief of police by the council at a recent meeting and last week, during the grange pic-nic, served his office faithfully.

The pic-nic is over and, for some unknown reason, landlord Bartges sold 3,000 glasses of beer less than during pic-nic week last year.

October 13, 1892 . . . We were of the opinion from the start that the new ballot law was an "elephant" and we were right! Secretary of State Harrity states the ballots will measure 52x22 inches . . . Chas. H. Mullen an extensive paper manufacturer with mills at Mt. Holly Springs said that there is no paper of that odd size, nor enough paper to cut and print one-tenth the number of ballots that will be required in this state this year and you can say for me that there is neither product or stock enough in the markets of America to allow such a thing to be done.

November 17, 1892 . . . The secret ballot has come to stay and has gone from unpopularity into public favor.

CENTRE HALL HOTEL

(SECOND BUILDING ERECTED IN CENTRE HALL)

Rooms by the Day, Week or Month

LAURA S. RUNKLE, Prop'r.

Mr. Geo. S. Clements is erecting a mill on Hoffer Street, back of his residence and will operate a pair of choppers, with his well-drilling machine, during the winter months.

December 15, 1892 . . . W. Frank Bradford will shortly leave his position as agent at Poe Mills to take charge of the Centre Hall P. R. R. station heretofore so well attended to by Arb. Katherman who got a higher position in the railroad offices in Williamsport.

January 12, 1893 . . . Sleighing parties to and from Centre Hall are very popular. This evening a number of young folks expect to sled to Millheim and take supper there.

Feb. 21, 1893 . . . Today's election resulted, in the borough, as follows: Judge of Election, Simon Harper; Inspector, Wm. W. Roob; Assistant Assessor, J. S. Dauberman; Tax Collector, Wm. Floray, Auditor, W. H. Bartholomew; Constable, Henry Swab; Overseer of Poor, H. G. Strohmeier; School Directors, John Krumbine, John T. Lee; High Constable, Geo. Floray; Chief Burgess, John Riter; Ass't. Burgess, Geo. Bushman; Council, R. D. Foreman, W. B. Mingle, Harry Dinges, C. F. Deininger; Treasurer, H. W. Kreamer. For increase indebtedness for water: Yes 66; No 11.

Much interest is aroused over the suit of the state of Maryland against the state of W. Virginia to recover the entire territory lying between the north and south branches of the Potomac River. Six large counties with a population in excess of 100,000 are involved. Should Maryland win, five other W. Va. counties would be cut off from the rest of the state.

April 6, 1893 . . . Frank Shutt moves into the house vacated by Jacob Harpster who, with his family, moved to Montana. Geo. Mowery goes into the house which Frank Shutt left and Jerry Shreffler of Centre Hill takes the Mowery house. Cyrus Goss goes to Altoona and will be followed here by W. O. Rearick of New Bloomfield. James Gregg flitted to Lemont and James Smetzler moved into the house vacated by Gregg. W. A. Sandoe into the house vacated by Smetzler.

Sheriff Spangler moves into his own house on Church Street and the house he leaves will be occupied by Rev. James Boal of Williamsport. Oliver Mader moved into the house which was vacated by W. P. Shoop who moved to Scranton, and Henry Meyer of Linden Hall takes the house vacated by Mader.

John Krumbine moved into his own house and Wm. Sholl, east of town, follows Krumbine. Samuel Shoop moved into the house with his father-in-law, J. O. Deininger at the station. Frank Bradford moved into his house at the station which he lately purchased from Aaron Harter. C. F. Romick moved to Farmers Mills.

May 11, 1893 . . . Peter Hoffer agent for Centre County for Monumental Bronze grave markers and monuments. Practically indestructible. Better and cheaper than any stone.

June 8, 1893 . . . The main street through the borough is in a dilapidated and shameful state, full of holes and ruts, large stones lying in the road and mud holes predominating. The town is free of debt, with some \$400 in the treasury. The time for action has arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. Stever Lobough, who conduct a bakery here, were painfully injured when thrown from their carriage by a runaway horse, while crossing the mountain to deliver bread, pies and cakes.

July 4, 1893 . . . It was a BIG DAY! — The largest day Centre Hall ever had . . . The program included a monster parade, a fire engine exhibit, speaking, base ball, military drill, concerts, races and fire works. Promptly at 11 a. m. the parade formed, headed by marshall and aids, followed in order by the Bellefonte Wheelmen's Club, 25 strong,—Bellefonte Band, Co. B., N. G. P., Millheim Band, Logan Steam Fire Engine Co. with their handsome new steamer, the Pleasant Gap Band, Bellefonte Castle, Knights Golden Eagle, drum corps, floats, fantastics, etc. After dinner a demonstration of a fire company at work was given, in front of the hotel, by the Logan Fire Engine Co. The crowd then moved to the woods where Rev. Fischer, chairman, introduced the old war Governor, A. G. Curtin, who addressed the audience, followed by our future Governor, Gen. D. H. Hastings, Senator Peale of Lock Haven and Col. J. L. Spangler.

A game of ball was played in the afternoon, between Bellefonte Academy and State College, resulting in a 6 — 4 victory for the latter. At 6:30 Co. B. gave an exhibition including a skermish drill and firing several hundred rounds at an imaginary enemy. Program closed in the evening with fire works.

Fights and drunks were numerous, but such were expected and several men were badly bruised and cut in fistic encounters, but no serious wounds resulted.

By order of Chief Burgess, John Riter, shooting of fire crackers between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 12:30 p. m. (during parade) was prohibited. This was done to prevent horses becoming frightened.

While festivities of the day were in progress death was slowly taking the life of a young man of 35 who had arrived in town on the morning train from Bellefonte, registered at the Centre Hall Hotel as "W. J. Cox, Lock Haven, Pa." and from unmistakable

<p>Emery's Store H. E. EMERY, Prop'r. CENTRE HALL, PA.</p>	<p>Compliments of— Frank's "PALACE OF PLEASURE" GRANGE ARCADE CENTRE HALL, PA. DANCING CONFECTIONERY BOWLING BILLIARDS</p>
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evidence ended his life by consuming the contents of a bottle of laudanum in his room. Every effort to save his life by Drs. McGeehon, Jacobs and Moyer were of no avail.

August 5, 1893 . . . Nineteen year old Walter Kurtz, son of Editor and Mrs. Fred Kurtz accompanied a party of some thirty young people who journeyed by train to Paddy Mountain where they had arranged to camp over Sunday. Following a sumptuous supper the young men resolved upon taking a swim near the bridge on the west side of the tunnel.

Walter, not an expert swimmer, ventured too far into the deep water and was drowned before others of his party could come to the rescue.

Walter's face was a favorite and familiar one in the Centre Reporter office where he was a most valuable assistant, and one whose place we will find difficult to fill. Hundreds attended the funeral services which were conducted by his Pastor, Rev. W. E. Fischer, assisted by the other clergymen of the town, Revs. Baskerville, Isenberg, Goodling and Boal.

December 14, 1893 . . . The firm of J. S. Dauberman & Son has taken in Miller Goodhart as a new member in their furniture and undertaking business and will now be known as Dauberman and Goodhart.

January 25, 1894 . . . BOROUGH ORDINANCES . . . Condensed for convenience . . . as appearing in Centre Reporter, issue of above date:

STREETS: Sec. 1. Adopts Brush Valley Road and Turnpike as streets.

PAVEMENTS: Sec. 1 Shall be 6 ft. wide, along unimproved lots, not less than 4 ft.

Sec. 2 Council must notify owners to build walks; on failure to comply council to do it at expense of lot owners.

Sec. 3 Repairs to be made within 10 days' notice.

SANITATION: Sec. 1 Forbids streets and alleys to be blocked with material.

Sec. 2 Filth or any obstruction forbidden in alleys.

Sec. 3 Carcasses of dead animals not permitted in streets or alleys.

GUTTERS: Sec. 1 Owners of lots to make gutters at their own expense.

SHOW TAX: Sec. 1 All shows charging admission shall, before proceeding, pay not exceeding ten dollars.

HIGH CONSTABLE: Shall take up strays between 8 p. m. and 5 a. m.

COUNCIL TO ELECT: Council shall elect a street commissioner, a chief of police and other police if needed.

Any borough officer neglecting his duty shall be fined ten dollars.

ON CROSSINGS: Fine \$5 for driving on sidewalks. Sec. 2. Fine \$5 for obstructing crossing by horse, mule or vehicle.

Sec. 3 Fine \$5 for mutilating plant or shade tree along street.

DISTURBING THE PEACE: Sec. 1 For disturbing the peace, fine not to exceed \$10.

Sec. 2 For being drunk on street or alley, fine not to exceed \$5.

Sec. 3 Boys or men not to gather on streets, alleys or crossings, fine not to exceed \$10.

COMPENSATION: Pay for high constable, police and street commissioner as fixed by council.

COMPLAINTS: Complaint must be made to burgess for any violation of ordinance. Any person aggrieved for violation of ordinances, to make complaint to burgess.

HUCKSTERS: No one shall sell any goods from stand or auction, within the borough, without license from the burgess, not less than \$1 or more than \$5 for one day, or not less than \$5 or more than \$25 for each week.

AMUSEMENT STANDS: All to pay \$20 per day for dancing floor kept for pay.

July 26, 1894 . . . The beautiful woods in lower part of town is to be converted into a regular park by our townsman, Isaac Smith. Mr. Smith will erect a neat fence in front facing Main Street. The entrance will be provided with a suitable gateway, arched and lettered in bold characters, "Witmer Park" in honor of Henry Witmer, one of the pioneers of the town, and the former owner of the woods. Seats, booths, kitchen shed and other necessary conveniences for picnic and camping parties will be provided. The woods cover probably six or eight acres, with trees of fine foliage and shade.

(Note: This woods, referred to as being in the "lower part of town," was located where the Reformed Church and residences south now stand, extending east to include a portion of the Mitterling and Kerlin farm land).

FARM BUREAU INSURANCE SERVICES

AUTO — FIRE — LIFE

As of January 1, 1940: (1) Fifth largest Auto Mutual Insurance Co. in U. S. (2) All policies are now non-assessable. (3) Drive other car endorsement extended to man and wife. (4) Service at a Savings. (5) Largest Premium Income on Casualty Insurance in Pa. Consult your Farm Bureau Agent to see benefit of Cooperative Insurance.

Agents: REUBEN RICKERT, CENTRE HALL; CLYDE N. LEE, BELLEFONTE
(PHONE 453M) DISTRICT MANAGER: MILTON MAURER, CENTRE HALL

August 23, 1894 . . . The matter of a new board walk between Kerlin's and Runkle's has been compromised, to avoid building a walk on both sides of the street. The owners of vacant lots on east side of the street, Miss Emily Alexander, Mr. Murray and Mr. Fleisher, agree to pay a portion of the expenses for a new walk on the west side. This is sensible.

September 20, 1894 . . . STREET LIGHTS . . . The borough has erected and put up twenty street lamps, costing \$3.50 each. The additional expense will be for a man to do the lighting, cleaning and the coal oil. When Centre Hall gets big enough to throw off its knickerbockers and wear long pants, it will get an electric light plant, and draw its light from the air.

October 18, 1894 . . . Erisbin's Coal Yard — Now open, on north side of railroad. All coal kept in rain-proof sheds and convenient for loading. All kinds of coal on hand at all times.

November 29, 1894 . . . The battle of Cold Harbor was fought 30 years ago. Dr. John Riter, local veterinarian, was in the engagement where the lead flew thickest. He belongs to a Mass. Co. of sharp-shooters. During above mentioned battle, June 3, 1864, a bullet from the enemy lines entered the Doctor's left eye, passed to a position back of the ear, where it remains to this day. The eye was, of course, destroyed and much pain is suffered at times. A fellow-soldier, Jacob Dunkle of Aaronsburg had a similar experience and only recently, during a severe coughing spell, expelled the bullet which is now in possession of Dr. Frank of Millheim.

February 14, 1895 . . . The '95 Blizzard! . . . Business, travel, trains, protracted meetings, Sunday Services stopped and court shut down. It not only stormed but howled, growled, moaned and whistled,—at a velocity of 60 miles per hour. The fresh fallen 6-inch snow was driven hither and thither during the continuance of the storm, filling the air at the behest of the blizzard which seemed to enjoy this display of its powers.

On Friday so intense was the storm that few persons ventured out and no driving was done. The air was a wild sea of drifting snow and the cold intense. Neither doors, windows nor roofs were tight enough to keep the snow dust from entering. Snow drifts were build up at the rate of a foot a minute, only to be torn down again and rebuilt. For thirty-six hours the storm raged without a moment let-up. On the railroad track by the picnic grounds it required 21 men with shovels several days to clear the tracks. Drifts were from 10 to 12 feet deep. Protracted meetings and Sunday church services could not be held. Court adjourned last week to prevent justice being frozen in its seat. Dwellings in the valley are completely snowbound up to the second story windows. From Thursday evening to Tuesday there were no trains from Lewisburg to Bellefonte. Pike from Bellefonte to Centre Hall com-

pletely closed for several days. The railroad tunnels at Beaver Dam and Paddy Mountain were chuck full of snow. The storm moved upon us from the south-east. Official temperatures at various points follow:

Chicago, 14 below; Wilmington, N. C., 8 above; Savanna, Ga., 4 above; Marshalltown, Iowa, 29 below; Terre Haute, Ind., 19 below; Nashville, Tenn., 6 below; Lexington, Ky., 14 below; Houtzdale, Pa. 26 below. A dozen points in Fla. reported snow and freezing weather.

April 18, 1895 . . . Mrs. M. B. Richards - Buff Leghorns, choice stock, eggs 50c per setting of 13.

George Rowe, blacksmith has erected a new building on Church St., opposite the reformed Church and is ready to do all kinds of work, along with horse-shoeing.

June 20, 1895 . . . On Sunday the front of the hotel was fenced in with bicycles while back of them stood a regiment of riders enjoying the shade. They were principally from Bellefonte. This mode of travel is extremely popular both for business and pleasure.

August 22, 1895 . . . Last Tuesday afternoon, John Horner, one of our well known citizens, while eating an apple in his orchard was stung on the lip by a yellow jacket. He immediately became violently ill. Dr. Jacobs was sent for but upon his arrival Mr. Horner was found to be dead.

February 20, 1896 . . . Tuesday's election in the borough resulted as follows: Judge of Election, Miller Goodheart; Inspector Lyman Smith; Overseer, Danl. Fleisher; School Directors, Wm. Boob, W. O. Rearick; Auditor, Wesley Henney; High Constable, John Puff; Justice of the Peace, J. G. Dauberman; Constable, Harry Swabb; Treas. Harry Kreamer; Council, Dr. John Riter, Prof. Ed. Wolf.

June 4, 1896 . . . Recently the Turnpike, thru our borough, was condemned thru due process of law, the viewers appointed by court have gone over the road and the borough is now working a big gang of men, cutting down five feet from the hill on Hoffer Street at the rear of the D. F. Luse property. The mass of limestone will be used in building up Main Street. Will Floray, street commissioner, is in charge.

COMPLIMENTS OF—

FARMER'S MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

(\$5,009,781.00 Insurance in Force)

Centre Hall, Penna.

June 11, 1896 . . . Mr. M. Rossman, of the Union Clothing Co. rented the Dinges store room and has opened a full line of clothing and furnishings.

July 16, 1896 . . . Grain and coal dealer, George Ocker, claims coal will be higher in price this fall . . . Boob's Wheel Shops are running full time and an order for 40 sets was shipped recently to Norway . . . Crotzer the dairyman has a new outfit,—a wagon, horse and harness.

August 6, 1896 . . . C. Poulson & Co. are removing their spoke and handle plant from Howard to Centre Hall, the machinery being hauled as fast as possible. Machinery is being installed in the building of Wm. Colyer at the station. A large 50-horse power engine arrived this week. A large fine dwelling will be immediately erected on the corner lot adjoining Wm. Runkle's, which will be occupied by Mr. Poulson and family.

Sept. 17, 1896 . . . "Hick'ry Farm"—a comedy-drama of New England farm life was rendered Saturday and Monday evenings by our local dramatic company. The proceeds were for the benefit of the new Reformed church. The participants were: Prof. Ed. J. Wolf, Wm. Boozer, W. Gross Mingle, Edw. M. Kerlin, C. F. Deininger, Wm. D. Shoop, Lyman Smith, C. H. Meyer, the Misses Grace and Emily Alexander.

October 16, 1896 . . . During the past two weeks a number of residences in town have been ransacked entry being made at night by prying windows. It is evident that the thieves were in quest of money as no other articles were stolen. Those thus "visited" were: Mrs. Mollie Ross, Mrs. Annie Van Pelt, Wm. Lohr, Mrs. Carrie Osman, D. A. Boozer, Dr. J. F. Alexander, Rev. J. M. Rearick, Alf. Krape, Dr. Jacobs, Mrs. Jas. C. Boal and W. F. Bradford.

November 30, 1896 . . . Edwin M. Kerlin, who has been teaching school at Lemont, last Friday, while playing with a number of his students, stepped into a drain and broke his leg nine inches above the knee . . . Ed. was brought home on the railroad hand-car, a number of his students furnishing the power. Prof. W. A. Krise will assume Ed's duties.

January 28, 1897 . . . Recent borough nominations are: Democratic: Chief Burgess, John Krumbine; Judge of Election, Wm. McClenahan, Inspector, Lyman Smith; Town Council, Frank Bradford, M. F. Richard, M. L. Emerick; School Directors, John T. Lee, Dr. Alexander; Tax Collector, W. A. Sandoe; Auditors, Frank Foreman, Wagner Geiss; High Constable, Wm. H. Runkle, Jr., Treasurer, H. W. Kreamer; Overseer Poor, Geo. Rowe.

Republican: Burgess, B. D. Brisbin; Judge of Election, W. W. Dillelt; Inspector, Will Odenkirk; Council, Aaron Thomas, C. F. Deininger, Samuel Shoop; School Directors, Alf. Krape, Geo. S. Clements; Tax Collector, Wm. J. Smith; Overseer Poor, David Burrel, High Constable, Andy Meyer; Treasurer, J. O. Deininger; Auditors, Geo. Mowery, B. Poulson.

March 11, 1897 . . . Centre Hall Hotel changes hands . . . Wm. H. Runkle, who resides near the station will take charge next month. The purchase price was \$7,000 and Mr. Runkle's residence, valued at \$2400, goes as first payment on the purchase. The hotel was erected by the late Henry Witmer in 1847 and on its completion he occupied it for a number of years and has since changed to the following landlords: Capt. Yeager, Samuel Reesman, D. C. Keller, John Spangler, D. J. Meyer, David Bartges and Edw. Ruhl.

April 15, 1897 . . . Miss Annie S. Dinges: Have just returned from the city where a fine selection of spring and summer goods, stylish and beautiful hats and bonnets has been made. Store on Church St.

April 8, 1897 . . . On Tuesday the town voted on the question of bonding the town for \$5,000 for the water purposes. The vote was 77 Yes; 6 No. Some 40 or 50 citizens did not vote. The present Company, known as the Centre Hall Water Company was incorporated by the Legislature, March 17, 1858 with the following citizens named as charter members: Henry Witmer, Peter Durst, William Wolf, George Durst, Jared Murray, James P. Wilson, John Neff.

It began with a capital stock of \$500, was of the wooden pipe and stock system and served for eighteen years. This system was followed by iron pipes.

May 27, 1897 . . . Borough council met, elected Samuel Durst street commissioner and ordered the following bills, for labor on street, paid:

Harry Dinges:		Chas. Emerick:	
Work with team.....	\$12.50	5 days work.....	5.00
Clyde Bradford:		Samuel Snyder:	
Work with team.....	10.00	1 day work.....	1.50
Howard Stover:		Sam'l Runkle:	
5 days work.....	5.00	Work with team.....	\$12.50
Samuel Durst:		Milton Snyder:	
1 day work.....	1.00	5 days work.....	5.00
Geo. Floray:		Forest From:	
5 days work.....	5.00	1 day work.....	1.00
Geo. Emerick:		Ed. Royer:	
Work with team.....	2.50	1 day work.....	1.00

In Support of the

CENTRE HALL FIRE COMPANY

F. V. Goodhart,

Centre Hall, Pa.

Andy Krotzer:		Gideon Decker:	
Work with team.....	5.00	4½ days work.....	4.50
Chas. McClenahan:			
5 days work.....	5.00	Total.....	\$76.50

Rev. W. W. Rhoades, pastor of the United Evangelical Church, makes violins in his spare time. At the World's Fair, where he exhibited several, he was awarded the highest prize. The making of an instrument requires several months and he receives from \$40 to \$100 per instrument.

June 10, 1897 . . . Borough council ordered bills paid for labor on street. Orders were drawn in favor of the following: Wallace White, John Martz, John Shreffler, Jas. Sandoe, R. D. Foreman, Chas. Nearhood, Henry Emerick, Frank Foreman, Wm. Boozar, Sam. Durst, J. S. Rowe, Leslie W. Jacobs, Frank Gfrerer, Chas. E. Emerick, Howard Stover, Chas. Arney, J. M. Goodhart, Jno McClenahan.

July 1, 1897 . . . Prof. Thos. B. Shannon was elected principal, W. A. Krise to the second grade school and Frank A. Foreman will teach the primary.

August 26, 1897 . . . The large cannon, presented by the U. S. Government to the local Grand Army of the Republic Post of this place, has arrived. The instrument of death and destruction is a monster, weighs 4200 lbs., 12 feet long and is a muzzle-loader. It is rifled and has a 4½ inch bore and shoots a 30 pound ball.

Sept. 30, 1897 . . . Town council awarded following bids for water line: Mains, pipes, fire hydrants, valves and fittings: R. D. Wood & Co. of Philadelphia @ \$4344.22 — For putting in water mains, trenching, and all work complete, except reservoir, H. P. Malone, of Hollidaysburg, @ \$1872.00.

Above bids being higher than anticipated, bids on a smaller reservoir than originally planned, will be asked at a later date.

October 14, 1897 . . . Last Friday a large representation of the Bellefonte Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution visited Centre County's only spot of historic interest, Potter's Fort, erected in 1777, close to the southern limits of Centre Hall to which the early settlers fled to safety when the Indians made attempts of massacre. The point was located where the Fort once stood, the spring and the enclosed passageway that led from the Fort to the spring. What constituted Potter's Fort was a large house, surrounded by a solid palisade of logs, large enough to shelter the few horses and cattle of the settlers in times of danger.

The grave of the Indian and White man who fought and slashed each other around a tree until both died under it, was then visited. This grave is about one mile from the Old Fort. The ladies

decided upon securing land from General John Taylor, present owner, and erect a monument of native stone with appropriate inscription.

A sumptuous dinner was enjoyed at the historical Old Fort Hotel, which is located near the site of the original fort.

(The hotel, referred to in above item, was erected in 1825 by James and John Potter. Prior to the erection of this edifice the original Fort, following the war, had been used as a tavern by Stephen Smith who was succeeded, in 1801, by John Benner, a relative of General Philip Benner.

In 1849 the farm and hotel were sold by the Potters to Andrew P. Wilson and the present owner, W. Frank Bradford, has in his possession deeds indicating the following transfers having taken place: March 1854 to James Irwin; April 1854 to George Odenkirk; 1871 to John Odenkirk; 1903 estate of John Odenkirk to W. Frank Bradford who is preserving the old landmark in a creditable manner.)

... The School Board held a meeting in Reesman's tin shop and awarded contract for furniture for the newly created fourth school, to John Krumbine @ \$98.10.

November 11, 1897 ... The first cook stoves in this community were the Hathaway, and awfully heavy; The first mower was the Manny, with a tree for a pole and other woodwork correspondingly heavy. The first wagon in Penn's Valley, having wheels with spokes, was transported hither in pieces on mule back on the path leading over the Seven Mountains, there being no wagon roads in the days of the early settlers. Thomas Huston, who lived on his farm two miles east of Centre Hall, owned it. It was a great curiosity as the wagons then in use in the valley were cumbersome and had wheels sawed from solid plank.

January 20, 1898 ... The mercantile firm of Smith & Crawford, of Colyer, last week removed their goods to the Bartholomew store room at the station, lately occupied by Rev. A. D. Potts, and now have the store open for business. The members of the firm, Edw. Crawford and Frank Smith will move to Centre Hall, with their families. The Krumbine house, now occupied by Rev. Christine will be occupied by Mr. Smith, while Mr. Crawford will move into Jacob Lee's house, the latter going upon John B. Bitner's farm west of Centre Hall.

GRANGE ENCAMPMENT and CENTRE COUNTY FAIR

Visions and dreams of Pioneers in Rural Progress, transformed by action into reality, account for the long and honorable history of the Grange Encampment and Centre County Fair ... It is a far cry indeed from the one-day Patrons' Picnic 67 years ago to the splendid exhibition that opened on Grange Park August 24, 1940, and continued for one week.

March 10, 1898 . . . Postmaster Brisbin has begun work on the interior of the building long occupied by J. A. Reesman as a tin and stove store. The building will be fitted up for a post office and as soon as the work is completed the office will be removed from its present location in the Harper & Kreamer building. The office will occupy the north half of the room. New furniture, including about 200 call boxes and 60 lock boxes will be installed.

March 17, 1898 . . . Miss Lillian Christine has purchased the interest of Mrs. C. E. Osman in the millinery store and, with Miss Annie Dinges, the young ladies will move the goods to the Dinges block, and continue there.

April 14, 1898 . . . The new Bell Telephone service in town was put into operation yesterday with Miss Mabel Boal as operator in Centre Hall's first exchange. In addition to those in town previously served by the Bellefonte exchange the following new subscribers have been secured: Dr. Jacobs, W. W. Boob, W. O. Rearick, G. O. Benner, Smith & Crawford and G. O. Ocker. Spring Mills is being served by our exchange.

April 21, 1898 . . . The borough council met and voted to pay the bill of the high constable which was itemized as follows: Burying 6 chickens, 60c; burying 1 pig, 50c. It was discovered that the treasurer had paid out \$338.74 more on borough orders than there was money in the treasury. No further business appearing, council adjourned.

May 12, 1898 . . . THE WATER CASE DECIDED . . . October of last year an injunction was issued against the boro by the Centre Hall Water Co., a privately owned and operated company. Judge Love dissolved the injunction. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court which handed down the decision that the borough had the legal right to erect a plant although a private company had previously occupied the field.

The decision caused general rejoicing and for many minutes the whistles on Boob's, Luse's and Poulson's shops blew off a lively blast.

May 26, 1898 . . . H. I. Wise, wareroom in Foundry Building — Farmer's Favorite Grain Drill — Jones Chain Mower — Adjustable Spike Tooth Lever Harrow — Improved Hensch Riding and Walking Cultivator — Jones Lever Binder — Jones Adjustable Hay Rake — Retain agency for Centre Hall Cornplanter. Also buggies, spring wagons, carriages, etc.

Wolf & Crawford — For more than a year we have had outstanding bargains for the people of Centre Hall and Penn's Valley. There's going to be a hot time in the old town soon. Our straw hats for the men and shirt waists for the ladies will prove cool things then.

June 4, 1898 . . . With fitting and elaborate ceremonies, the cornerstone was laid today for the new Grange Hall. Participants

included D. K. Keller, Master; Daniel Fleisher, Chaplain; Col. J. S. Weaver, representative State Grange; Jas. A. Keller and Alfred Durst, members building committee; Mrs. M. S. Rhone, Lecturer; Miss Blanche Boal, Flora; Mrs. S. W. Smith, Pomona; Miss Carrie Spicher, Ceres; J. J. Arney, Treas.; Edwin Smith, Sec'y.; Geo. Gingerich, Overseer; Assistant Steward, Christ Keller; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Samuel Gingerich and Steward Miss Florence Rhone.

June 9, 1898 . . . A long-neglected duty has been performed. The location of Potter's Indian Fort, erected in 1777, has been preserved. Today a suitable marker has been placed by the Bellefonte Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution in front of the Old Fort Hotel. The marker is located 650 feet south of the location of the historic old Indian Fort. The marker is a massive block of Vermont granite weighing 4800 lbs., is five feet high and was placed upon a concrete base, leaving $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet of the marker above ground. The polished side faces due north, and bears this inscription: "Erected June 9, 1898 Bellefonte Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, to mark the location of the old Indian Fort, known in 1777 as Potter's Fort, which stood 650 feet north of this marker."

Location of the marker is in the centre of the junction of the Bellefonte and Lewistown and Old Fort and Youngmanstown turnpikes.

(Today, 1940, we would describe this location as being at the junction of routes 45 and 53.)

. . . Following school teachers have been selected for the coming year: Principal, Prof. B. W. Wagonseller of Selinsgrove; Grammar School, D. W. Geiss of Centre Hall; Intermediate, F. A. Foreman of Centre Hall; Primary Anna Bartholomew, Centre Hall.

October 28, 1898 . . . J. Wesley Henney died this evening, at his home on Church Street, from the effects of injuries received by a fall into the lower borough reservoir on Thursday.

With the assistance of others Wes. was placing or changing some pipes in or about the reservoir. He was recently elected water supervisor by the borough council. Wes. made a misstep and went over the side of the reservoir, down seven feet to the hard cement bottom. He was taken to his home in a buggy and Dr. Jacobs summoned. The physician found no bones broken but there was evidence of serious internal injuries.

Compliments of—

Geary's Barber Shop

(ESTABLISHED APRIL, 1900)

AT MY RESIDENCE

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FRESH BAKED BREAD, ROLLS,
CAKES, PIES

PHONE 75

CENTRE HALL

Wes. was one of the finest mechanics in this section. When there was a neat and delicate piece of metal work required, he was the one man to be trusted in the work. Wes. was a life-long Republican and a member of the Odd Fellows lodge. He leaves a wife and son Wilbur to survive him.

November 24, 1898 . . . Centre Hall's new industry has closed its first season. We refer to the evaporator plant in the Colyer building under the management of Chas. Miner of Rose, N. Y. The plant worked up thousands of bushels of apples, which came from all parts of the county. The finished article is now being shipped to the city markets.

December 15, 1898 . . . Centre Hall will have the services of the Commercial Telephone Company in the near future, with an exchange located in the Penns Valley Bank Building, in the room now used by the borough council.

(Following is reproduction from an OCTOBER 1, 1901 Directory.)

CENTRE HALL EXCHANGE

Hours of Service: Weekdays, 7 a. m. to 9:30 p. m.

Sundays, 8:30 a. m. to 9:30 a. m.; 4 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.

SUBSCRIBERS

- 106 Alexander, J. F.—Physician
- 162 Bartholomew, W. H.—Insurance Agent
- 133 Benner, G. O.—General Merchant
- 72 Boob, W. W.—Wheels & Hardware
- 43 Bcozer, D. A.—Harness & Livery
- 32 Centre Reporter—S. W. Smith, Publisher
- 132 Colyer, William—Lumber Dealer
- 44 Dauberman, J. G.—Meat Market
- 52 Emerick, C. E.—Physician
- 22 Foreman & Floray—Grain Dealers
- 144 Hosterman, G. W.—Dentist
- 28 Howard Creamery Co.—Creamery
- 23 Howard Creamery Co.
T. G. Wilson, Creameryman—residence
- 1077 Huyett, E. M.—No. 1 Saw Mill Office
- 1063 Huyett, E. M.—No. 2 Saw Mill Office
- 1069 Huyett, E. M.—Stock Farm; Residence
- 62 Huyett, E. M.—Lumber Dealer; Residence
- 142 Kerlin, Arthur E.—Produce Dealer
- 94 Kerschner, Rev. G. W.—Residence
- 93 Kreamer & Son—General Merchandise
- 12 Kryder, C. N.—Lumberman
- 13 Lee, George L.—Physician
- 134 Luse, Clement—Lumber Dealer
- 82 Meyer & Musser—General Merchandise
- 143 Park, W. E.—Physician

- 112 Penns Valley Banking Company—W. B. Mingle, Cashier
- 24 P. R. R. Station—W. F. Bradford, Agent
- 92 Rider, John—Veterinary Surgeon
- 42 Runkle, James—Centre Hall Hotel
- 53 Sellers, Edward—Manufacturer and Implement Dealer
- 14 Smith, J. Frank—General Merchant
- 202 United Telephone and Telegraph Co.—Exchange 'phone

December 27, 1898 . . . Fire Company Organized . . . A public meeting was held on this date in the council room for the purpose of organizing a fire company. With the new borough water works now in operation and two hose carts and several hundred feet of fire hose, an organization of a volunteer company was necessary to keep in progress with the town. The council room was crowded and there were not a few disappointed in not being selected. The company contains 28 members, and is divided into two divisions, one for each end of town. The members are: Jeff Shaffer, W. F. Bradford, Wm. Gundy, John Martz, John Carter, John Luse, Will Shoop, Ab. Nearhood, Geo. Nearhood, John Puff, Ed. Rider, Olie Stover, R. D. Foreman, Milfred Luse, J. S. Rowe, E. S. Arney, Sam. Snyder, Al. Krape, Geo. Bushman, M. L. Emerick, Wilbur Henney, Jas. Sandoe, Milton Snyder, Chas. Wiser, F. M. Crawford, John Van Pelt, Lyman Smith, D. A. Boozer. Hose carts are located, one in Colyer's shed, the other in Rearick's store room in the foundry building.

January 5, 1899 . . . Prof. P. H. Meyer will conduct a musical convention in the new Grange Hall, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Reformed Church.

Ed Nearhood has leased the Dinges store room and will start a first class bakery and restaurant.

March 9, 1899 . . . Thos. C. Bartges, Photographer. All sizes and styles photos. Crayon work. Pastel and India Ink. Out-door views a specialty. Gallery in Kreamer Building.

April 27, 1899 . . . Judge Mitchell of Tioga County has ruled: "A bicyclist has no right upon a sidewalk, and no borough by ordinance can give him such right, or make his riding upon a sidewalk legal. A bicycle is a vehicle and, as such, belongs upon the highway. An accident, resulting in death, would render the bicyclist guilty of manslaughter.

May 18, 1899 . . . Harry, son of Simon Harper of this place, had the unpleasant experience, Tuesday night, to be lost all night in the Seven Mountains. Having put up at Garrity's to do some

Mrs. Lucy Henney

MILLINER

(Established in Centre Hall 1873)

Wilbur A. Henney

BLACKSMITHING AND
ACETYLENE WELDING

CENTRE HALL

fishing he was located near the former site of Rev. Miller's saw mill when a terrific thunder shower broke, followed by the darkness of night. Bewildered Harry took the opposite direction intended and climbed the wrong mountain. Bruises, scratches, a fall that rendered him unconscious for a time were his experiences. He reached the stream several times but the water was always "running the wrong way." Yesterday morning, aided by the light of breaking day, the young man reached the pike at 6:30 and returned to Garrety's where Pat at once put him to bed, and by afternoon he appeared pretty well repaired, considering. Harry lost 34 of the 40 trout he had landed.

(And 1940 finds Harry still an ardent fisherman—capable of landing the legal limit of big ones).

June 1, 1899 . . . Memorial services were held in Centre Hall Tuesday. In the morning a detail of twenty-five members of Co. B., 5th Reg., which served in the late war, came from Bellefonte to decorate the graves of John Thomas who died in the service at Lexington, and of another member, Robert Murray. The soldiers were in command of Lieutenant Taylor. Following a short address, three vollies were fired, the bugler sounded taps and the boys marched from the cemetery.

The services were held at 6 p. m. and hundreds attended. The Potter Mills band furnished music for the occasion. Procession started from the G. A. R. room, headed by the band, followed by the Sons of Veterans bearing arms. Behind came the veterans who fought in the Civil War. The G. A. R. was followed by many children carrying flowers. At the cemetery prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Rearick. With the band playing a dirge the graves were strewn with flowers by the veterans, assisted by the children. W. A. Krise read the address of Pres. Lincoln at Gettysburg and we then listened to a masterful oration by Senator W. C. Heinle. Miss Annie Bible read a poem dedicated to the "unknown dead." The Sons of Veterans fired three vollies over the graves, and following benediction by Rev. Christine, the services were at an end.

June 15, 1899 . . . School board re-elected the four teachers. New members on the board are: H. G. Strohmeier, W. O. Rearick (re-elected) and Jerry Miller. The salaries were placed as follows: Prof. Wagenseller \$60 per month, D. W. Geiss and F. A. Foreman each \$32 per month and Miss Anna Bartholomew, \$30 per month.

June 24, 1899 . . . The beautiful new Grange Arcadia, erected at Centre Hall, was dedicated today. The building is a large and handsome one, the largest, most expensive and most modern erected by any local grange within the state. It is a two-story, brick structure. The first floor is so arranged to be used as a town hall or for any public exhibitions. It will seat several hundred people. At the west end is a large stage, with adjoining room. At the

entrance is a ticket office and on opposite side a spacious committee room. The stage will be pitted up with scenery settings. A broad and easy flight of stairs leads to the second floor where the grange has its meeting rooms.

For many years the Grange occupied one of the rooms of the borough school building but being required to vacate, constructed this creditable building at an expense of \$4,000 to \$5,000, not including the value of a great amount of labor contributed by members. The dedicatory services were impressive and were followed by a chicken and waffle supper which was well patronized by the public.

July 20, 1899 . . . Empire Hand Laundry. Jacob H. Zong, Prop'r.

We use the soap that tackles the dirt,—not the shirt! Linens sent to this laundry are washed white,—not whitewashed! Collars and cuffs laundered with smooth ivory-like edges . . . Clay W. Reesman, Agent for Centre Hall.

November 30, 1899 . . . Simon Ripka, one of Centre Hall's young men met a horrible death while looking for employment in the yards of the Empire Furnace Co., this side of Bellefonte. In some manner Simon was run down by a car loaded with iron, the wheels passing over him, crushing both legs and the left arm. Death followed a few hours later. Following the death of the young man's mother, he had spent several years at the Orphans Home in Loysville but in recent years has lived with his father, Jacob Ripka, in rooms in the Deininger building near the station.

Simon, aged 20 years, 9 months, was buried yesterday from the home of R. D. Foreman, a relative. Six young men, Earl Fleming, Domer Emerick, John Hosterman, Fred Christine, John Miller and Will Sandoe were the pall bearers.

February 15, 1900 . . . For a full half century "Wolf's store" has been a familiar business name connected with our town. The only break in the style was that of a few years ago when it became Wolf & Crawford, which firm retires April 1 of this year and will be succeeded by William H. Meyer.

"Wolf's store" was originally founded in the store room in the south end of the hotel building, where it continued for almost a quarter century when, upon erection of the bank building, it moved into new quarters on the opposite side of the street. In its early years "Wolf's store" was the only store in this section and necessarily had the hold on trade within a wide trading area.

— FRED HOMAN —

Hardware — Plumbing and Heating — Roofing and
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Centre Hall

March 22, 1900 . . . A new record was established by the Benjamin Gentzel's horse sale at Runkle's hotel barn by disposing of an entire carload of horses in the short period of 40 minutes. Bidding was brisk and the sale price averaged \$137.50 per horse. One team of blacks, purchased by a party near Pittsburgh, brought \$400.00.

. . . Having purchased the studio of T. C. Bartges, I shall operate same Friday of each week, beginning Friday, April 13th.—W. W. Smith, State College, Pa., Photographer.

. . . Ex-sheriff Spangler is erecting a neat little building between the hotel and meat market to be used as a shoemaker shop by Will Curry. The meatmarket building has also been improved. This building was erected by Henry Witmer, deceased, and was used originally as a grain and store house.

April 19, 1900 . . . The little three year old son of Samuel Gross was so severely scalded by falling into a bucket of boiling water that death resulted within about forty-eight hours. The little fellow, Paul McKinley, was playing about the kitchen and accidentally toppled into the water that had been placed in a bucket on the floor for scrubbing purposes. Mr. Gross occupies the house, with his father-in-law, Jerry Stump, on Church Street.

May 10, 1900 . . . Friday afternoon a shower served to extinguish the forest fires which had held sway for two weeks throughout Centre County, in spite of the efforts to put out the flames by scores of squads of men in all sections. It is reliably estimated that fifty thousand to seventy-five thousand acres of forest land have been burned over,—easily a half million dollars' damage. Saturday morning, last, the first in two weeks a clear and smokeless sky greeted us. Nittany Mountain burned furiously for several days. The fire started below Penn's cave and burned westward within a mile of town.

June 11, 1900 . . . While in the act of tearing down the old Presbyterian church at Centre Hill seven men were badly hurt. The building was recently purchased by B. D. Brisbin and D. A. Boozer and they had a gang of about ten men at work. The Church was built of brick and the roof and flooring on the eastern end had been torn away. Six men were at work removing a large trussed girder which ran across from the sides of the building and was one of the supports to the roof. On the north side of the building where the girder rested on the brick wall the timber was rotten and began to sag. With a crash the timber broke and fell to the basement below, precipitating the men with it.

D. A. Boozer, who was working at a point away from the girder quickly scrambled down and rendered assistance. Aaron Thomas, William Meyer and Fred Christine were lying near, together unconscious. Miller Goodhart and Samuel Snyder were able to crawl out on their hand and knees. Doctors Lee, Emerick and

Park responded promptly to calls and were soon on the scene of the accident. The injured men were carried to the home of Mrs. Adam Smith and the wounds dressed.

Aaron Thomas had eight ribs broken, four on each side, a bad cut near the right eye and was severely injured on right arm and body and suffered badly sprained right ankle. William Meyer had a rib broken and muscles torn in right arm, also badly bruised about limbs and body. Fred Christine was struck on the side of the head by a heavy timber and bruised about the body. Samuel Snyder sustained back and body injuries. Miller Goodhart sustained injuries to his back and badly scratched and bruised.

Severe injuries were those sustained by Wilbur Burkholder of Centre Hill. He was working below with Ralph Boozer knocking plaster off lathe. Ralph escaped without injury but Wilbur was struck across the left side of the face by a heavy piece of timber, and his jaw was broken at the chin and crushed to pieces near the ear. Six teeth in front were knocked out and several others loosened and broken off on the left side. The young man bled profusely from the left ear. Ed Royer had the bones of his right hand broken.

Ralph Boozer in going for a doctor on his bicycle, was thrown from his wheel and had his right arm badly bruised and skinned from hand to shoulder.

The men in falling had no opportunity to save themselves and dropped the entire distance striking joists, stone walls and broken timbers in their downward course. It seems miraculous there were no fatalities.

June 28, 1900 . . . Grace, the ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crawford of this place narrowly escaped from drowning Monday evening by falling into a deep spring at the home of her Grandfather, John Huff, of Lamar. Grace's body was found lying on the bottom of the spring, she had gone down for the last time. Efforts were at once made to resuscitate the unconscious little girl in which they were successful after hard and prolonged efforts. Life was almost extinct when she was taken from the spring.

. . . James B. Strohm of Centre Hill, former County Commissioner, has been elected to teach the grammar grade, which was successfully taught the past two years by D. Wagner Geiss, who was not an applicant. Salary was set at \$35 per month.

CENTRE HALL MARBLE & GRANITE WORKS

(ESTABLISHED 1885)

—C. H. Homan, Proprietor—

Retail Dealers in Artistic Cemetery Memorials

Centre Hall, Pa.

August 2, 1900 . . . The south portion of Centre Hall is booming. A large amount of shipping of lumber, staves, etc. is being constantly done. Much of this by E. M. Huyett, Orwig & Kryder and Wm. Douty. Likewise by Wm. Colyer, D. C. Armstrong and Sterrett McNitt. A. P. Luse & Son are busy as bees in their planing mill, their trade extending over a large territory. The Howard Creamery Co. is another plant that is growing like a mushroom, but as solid as a rock. Nearly 400 lbs. butter are churned daily. Messrs. J. F. Smith and G. O. Benner, general merchants, are keeping up to date while J. S. Auman the miller expects to repaint his mill. Messrs. W. F. Bradford and George Ocker, the coal dealers, are getting their stock of coal on hand and Messrs. D. A. Boozer and B. D. Brisbin are hustling their fruit and evaporator plant to completion.

August 9, 1900 . . . Prof. Albert T. Ilgen, M. E., Ph. B., a graduate of Lafayette College for men, has been chosen as Principal of the Centre Hall High School. His home is at Tylersville, Clinton County, Pa.

August 9, 1900 . . . Believing that there was a popular feeling to have better arrangements and facilities to store the hose and other equipment used in case of fire, the town's burgess ordered a town meeting the night following the fire at the residence of Wes. Whitemen. There was a general turnout of citizens and one opinion prevailed in the council chambers, where the meeting was held, and that was that it was time to act and cease talking.

The meeting was organized by electing C. F. Deininger to the chair and W. Leslie Jacobs, secretary. After discussion the following committees were appointed:

Committee On Organization

John Riter
Joseph Lutz
M. L. Emerick
Wm. McClenahan
W. W. Boob

Comm. On Finance

B. D. Brisbin
W. A. Sandoe
W. A. Krise

Comm. Location and Buildings

Lyman L. Smith
Frank E. Arney
C. W. Luse
John Martz, Jr.
Walter M. Kerlin

W. B. Mingle, Esq., who always comes to the front to lend assistance when the town is in need of aid, kindly offered a portion of the bank lot free of charge, so long as the site was not needed for building purposes. This location is an admirable one on the north end of the borough. The meeting adjourned until Tuesday evening.

... At the meeting Tuesday night a Fire Department was organized. The officers are W. F. Bradford, president; C. F. Deininger and Wm. McClenahan, secretaries; Thomas Wilson, treasurer. B. D. Brisbin was elected chief fire marshall and W. A. Sandoe, Joseph F. Lutz, F. K. Carter and D. H. Meyer assistants. The matter of providing suitable places for storing hose, etc. was properly handed over to the town council who will no doubt act promptly.

August 23, 1900 ... Centre Hall Post Office robbed ... The Post Office safe was looted and about \$300 in cash and stamps taken. Entrance was gained by breaking a glass in the front door, then prying off the lock. A three-eighth inch hole was bored in the door, near the lock, explosive inserted and fired. The door was blown entirely loose from the safe. Included in the cash taken was \$20 the property of Miss Flora Love, a compositor in the Centre Reporter office, and \$25 belonging to the Presbyterian church. These items were being held for safe keeping. A large sledge, brace, chisels and wrench were stolen from the local foundry for use in case of emergency.

October 4, 1900 ... Dr. Smith Co. — Dr. Smith's Salve is unrivaled for old sores. It will heal every time,—once used alway used. Two oz. tin boxes postpaid for 25c.

Wilbur A. Henney, Blacksmith — What puzzles other mechanics can be done well here. General carriage making ... Re-setting of tires ... Buggies repainted and trimmed ... all work done in neat and workmanship manner.

Wm. H. Bartholomew District agent for Central Pennsylvania for Life, Accident and Fire Insurance.

Primary Grade Honor Roll, October 1900—Miss Anna Bartholomew, teacher. — Reah Keller, Sylva Krumbine, Minnie Leister, Cora Luse, Helen Luse, Alice Rearick, Isabel Rowe, Emma Rowe, Pearl Runkle, Emma Saul, Nancy Saul, Nina Snyder, William Bradford, Musser Coldron, Ira Foreman, Henry Hubler, Robert Krumbine, Carl Long, Harry Mowery, John Runkle, George Saul, Calvin Smith, Roy White.

November 8, 1900 ... At Tuesday's election William McKinley was elected President of the United States over his opponent, William Jennings Bryan and the election brought many of Centre Hall's citizens, employed elsewhere, home to cast their vote. They are: Messrs. Samuel and Milton M. Snyder, carpenters erecting a business block in Clearfield; Robert Krumbine, manager of an

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THE PLACE TO BUY YOUR
GROCERIES, MEATS OF ALL KINDS,
DRESSED CHICKENS
FROSTED FOODS, FISH and OYSTERS

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establishment in Washington, D. C.; Edwin Kerlin who holds an important position at Dixmont Hospital near Pittsburgh; Alfred W. Nearhood, an assistant at the Dixmont Hospital; Clyde A. Smith, an employee of the Commercial Telephone Co. now located in Lock Haven; Arney Lee with the Pressed Steel Car Co., Pittsburgh; James Sandoe, fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad, Pittsburgh; Edward Riter, an attendant at the Warren Hospital; Hoffer Dale, member of the Sophomore Class at Pennsylvania State College; E. S. Ripka, connected with the Chambersburg Business College.

November 15, 1900 . . . At 3 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, The Bellefonte Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution dedicated the marker in "Indian Lane" which leads from the Spring Mills pike below the Old Fort to the road leading from Centre Hill to Spring Mills. The Monument is a handsomely carved piece of Ohio marble, and will mark the last resting place of Thomas VanDoran and Jacob Shadacre, two soldiers killed in an encounter with Indians, July 24, 1778. It is recorded that these two men encountered five Indians, Van Doran was shot dead. Shadacre came to a hand-to-hand encounter with one of the Indians, killing the Indian. Another of the Red Men then shot and killed Shadacre.

The speaker for the occasion was Rev. George I. Brown, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church of Bellefonte, a son of a combatant in the Revolutionary Army. The monument was unveiled by Miss Mame Keller, daughter of Ex-County treasurer, D. C. Keller.

November 29, 1900 . . . Geo. W. Bushman, Jeweler—A complete store, rings set with opals, rubies and pearls. Ladies' lorgnette chains, watch chains, brooches, thimbles, pens, pen holders, toilet sets. Give us a call.

January 31, 1901 . . . Ed. F. Foreman—Handles all grades roofing slates. Estimates made per square. Cheap as wood shingles, —and far superior.

March 7, 1901 . . . The firm of R. D. Foreman and Wm. Floray succeed G. W. Ocker as grain merchants and coal dealers at the Centre Hall station. The grain house and coal yards had been purchased some time ago by Mr. Ocker from Wm. Colyer, Sr.

June 6, 1901 . . . Edward Sellers has become successor to the firm of W. O. Rearick and Edw. Sellers. The partnership, which was thus dissolved, was entered into last spring. Mr. Rearick, who retires from the Centre Hall Implement Works, has been a partner in the business for eight years during which time the concern turned out a great number of cornplanters, rollers, feed cutters and other implements and tools.

June 13, 1901 . . . W. D. Shoop will take charge of the Keller bakery after July 1, having purchased the business from P. F. Keller.

... James Horner, mail carrier over the "Star Route" out of Centre Hall, is required to deposit mail in boxes along the route, should any patron desire this service. This is under the new Star Route Mail Carriers contracts, effective July 1, 1901.

July 11, 1901 . . . D. W. Bradford—Give your order for phosphate now so that the goods will be on hand in time for seeding. Use phosphate freely this year,—it will pay! Agent for DeLaval Cream Separators, ten new styles.

February 6, 1902 . . . George O. Benner, proprietor of the "Star Store" has completed arrangements to build a new store room on the "flat iron" corner opposite the R. R. station. The new structure will be of frame, 22x45 ft., two story with gables and projections to aid in giving a pleasing and neat effect.

The "Star Store" was opened by Mr. Geo. O. Benner in 1889, and its beginning was rudely modest. But business began to grow under his absolute cash system and today, while his present store building might be termed an apology, his sales are coveted.

Contract for the new building has been let to John F. Hagen, contractor and builder, of Farmers Mills.

Wednesday, April 9, 1902 . . . The first Centre Hall High School Commencement exercises were held on this date in Grange Arcadia. The program follows:

Invocation, Rev. J. M. Rearick

Claude K. Stahl—Essay with Salutatory "The Development of English Language."

Helen S. Hosterman—Oration "The American School Girl."
Music.

Nellie E. Kerlin—Oration, "The Palace Beautiful."

Ralph C. Boozer, Oration with Valedictory "From Cave to Palace."

Col. D. F. Fortney—Commencement Address.
Music.

Awarding of Diplomas by Principal Ilgen.

Commencement Song—High School.

Benediction—Rev. G. W. Kershner.

May 8, 1902 . . . H. G. Strohmer, Prop'r., Centre Hall Marble & Granite Works (established in 1885.) Manufacturer and dealer in high grade Monumental Work. Don't fail to get my prices.

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Centre Hall, Pa.

(In business since 1915)

November 20, 1902 . . . J. S. Rowe—Acetylene Gas will light your Homes, Stores, Churches, Offices cheaper than coal oil by using the Marindale Generator.

. . . George W. Glace while out hunting Tuesday of last week in the mountains above his place, spied what he believed to be a large owl sitting on a tall tree. He took steady aim, fired and down fell a large wild cat. He received a bounty of two dollars.

March 5, 1903 . . . William Colyer, Sr., who for some years has operated the saw mill at the station, sold the plant to B. D. Brisbin. Mr. Brisbin has purchased a number of timber tracts on Nittany mountain and in the valley that will support the mill for a considerable time.

April 6, 1903 . . . **NEW GAS LIGHT** . . . This evening a new type of lighting was introduced into Centre Hall. A new gasoline lamp which lights that portion of the town to perfection. It is a 750-candle power lamp of the latest improved gasoline-burning type and was purchased by subscription. It is the intention of residents in other portions of the town to purchase similar street lamps.

June 25, 1903 . . Bold and Daring Robbers Capured in Seven Mountains.

An attempt was made to burglarize the Penn's Valley Bank of this place, Friday night, June 19th at 1:20 but the burglars were required to quit the scene account of a bullet from a high-calibre revolver in the hands of William McClenahan, the night watchman. The four burglars attempted to gain entrance by removing a front window light. Mr. McClenahan sleeps in the rear of the bank but only about six inches of glazing had been removed before Bill's fire-arm barked! The tools used by the burglars had been secured at the planing mill and tools taken from the tool house of the railroad section men were also stacked in front of the bank. The burglars then appropriated the railroad hand car and proceeded up the rails to Linden Hall where they burglarized the store of J. H. Ross.

Before daylight Mr. Ross was out with his rifle, looking for the parties who had only a short time before, rifled the cash drawers of his store and had prepared to blow open his safe with nitroglycerine. Mr. Ross tracked the culprits to Earlytown, at which point they left the public road and went out the lane of L. C. Lingle.

Mr. W. F. Bradford, son William and James Smetzler were on their way to Pat Garrity's to fish and at the Old Fort met Mr. Ross who related his experience.

The party immediately proceeded to Potter's Mills and managed to locate one of the four men who was later observed enter-

ing the Foust stable, in the Seven Mountains. In a short time quite a number of citizens were recruited, armed with rifles and side arms.

Realizing the desperate character of the men within the stable, Sheriff Taylor was summoned and upon arrival promptly stationed the posse at advantageous points with orders that they should "close in" when they observed the sheriff drive down the pike toward the stable. After giving the men ample time to reach their posts, Sheriff Taylor, accompanied by Treasurer Phil. D. Foster, leisurely drove to the old Foust hotel site and hitched the team.

Sheriff Taylor, unarmed, at once went to the door of the old building, threw open the door and, in a firm tone, demanded that the men come out and surrender. Three of the men were seen on the first floor. The fourth was heard on the loft which was loosely covered with boards. The men failed to respond to repeated demands and the Sheriff, securing his Krag-Jorgenson rifle from his buggy and, while returning to the barn, his attention was called to a hand, clutching a 38-cal. revolver, protruding from through the weatherboarding of the second floor. An immediate order was given by the Sheriff to "fire" he, himself, doing likewise.

For a full half hour the Sheriff implored the men to come out and surrender, pointing out to them that he had the building well surrounded by men armed, not only with revolvers, but with shot guns and high-powered rifles. Silence was their only answer.

There was a condition existing within not known to those on the outside, which finally drove the nervy characters to treat for peace. "A man has been hit," came from one of quartet, "and if you'll guarantee protection, we'll come out." The Sheriff vouchsafed their safety and in a few moments three fierce and depraved looking characters came out, each armed with two revolvers. They promptly complied with the demand to drop their weapons and throw up their hand. They were promptly handcuffed and searched.

When the hayloft was reached by the deputies, there lay a finely developd human being in a crimson pool, his face bespattered with his own blood, pale as death, clutching a fierce looking weapon of defense. Frank Shutt, the blacksmith of this place, quickly snatched the weapon from the prisoner's hand. The wounded man

COMPLIMENTS OF—

CENTRE HALL LODGE NO. 895, I. O. O. F.

N. G. - Bruce Runkle; V. G. - Fred Homan;

Secy. - T. L. Moore; Treas. - V. A. Auman

was slid to the ground by the aid of two planks and was promptly conveyed to the Potter's Mills hotel and placed under the care of Dr. H. S. Alexander.

The quartet are unquestionably responsible for a series of robberies committed at Laurelton, Woodward, Centre Hall and Linden Hall.

In effecting the capture of these men, who gave their names as James Geltwalt (the injured man), William Palmer, James Ryan and Samuel Shireman, the following men assisted:

Deputized Citizens	Other Armed Men
W. F. Bradford	J. S. Beblehimer
Walter Garrity	A. J. Richley
E. J. Sweetwood	W. A. Catherman
R. D. Colyer	Wm. Boozer
Frank Pennington	Bruce Runkle
Frank Shutt	Elmer Runkle
S. W. Smith	F. M. McCoy
Patrick Garrity	Clyde Bradford
Calvin Ruhl	G. R. Meiss
Wm. Cummings	J. Wm. Bradford
F. A. Carson	Daniel Bradford
J. H. Ross	Samuel Stump
W. A. Sandoe	
James Smetzler	

It was found that the injured man was struck by a rifle bullet which entered the neck on the left side and passed through the neck to a point on top of the shoulder.

July 16, 1903 . . . It has been learned that James Geltwalt, the burgler who was shot last month during the capture of the four in the Seven Mountains, is James Lewis, a man with a criminal record. He was in the valley for several months last winter, living at the home of William Snyder and while there, under the alias "James Albright," assisted Cloyd Brooks, on the Hon. Leonard Rhone farm. Mr. Brooks visited Geltwalt-Albright-Lewis recently in the Centre County jail where the latter eventually admitted his identity.

The quartet of robbers, now in the Centre Co. jail, will be transferred to Williamsport where the government will bring the men to trial for the post office robbery at Woodward.

August 21, 1903 . . . The musicale given Tuesday night by the Ladies' Auxiliary Hospital Aid Society, for the benefit of the Bellefonte Hospital was a success musically and financially. The program:

Chorus: While the Days are Passing By.—The Society.

Piano Solo: Old Black Joe.—Prof. Will D. Blair of Mifflinburg.

Drill: Bringing in the Sheaves.

Recitation: Little Mable and the Clock.—Miriam Meyer.
 Vocal Solo: Mighty Like a Rose.—Miss Emile Alexander.
 Vocal Solo: The Toredor.—John Bullock of Bellefonte
 Vocal Solo: Dolly's Revenge.—Miss Mary Bradley.
 Recitation: Diamond Cut Diamond.—Mrs. Grenoble of Bellefonte.
 Kindergarten Song: Frain Mark.
 Piano Solo: Meditation.—Miss Helen Hosterman.
 Vocal Solo: Queen of the Earth.—Prof. Blair.
 Recitation: Tommy's Prayer.—Miss Anna Bartholomew.
 Vocal Solo: 'Tis not True.—Mrs. Grenoble. Accompanist, E. L. Bartholomew.
 Piano Solo: Dance of the Deamon.—Prof. Blair.

A pretty feature was a drill participated in by forty-four children, ranging in ages from four to twelve years. Their names are appended:

Nellie Smith
 Ruth Smith
 Verna Nearhood
 Ida Sweetwood
 Mary Dinges
 Mary Lytle
 Helen Wilson
 Elizabeth Hoy
 Elizabeth Sanders
 Edna Krape
 Mary Whiteman
 Elizabeth Sweetwood
 Robert Krumbine
 George Slack
 George Kline
 David Kuhn
 Calvin Smith
 Paul Bradford
 Ross Lytle
 Henry Mitterling
 Freda Bailey
 Nina Slick

Edna Robinson
 Amanda Krumbine
 Carrie Sweetwood
 Laura Mitterling
 Isabel Krumbine
 Jean Shultz
 Marguerite Derstine
 Florence Stover
 William Bradford
 Ralph Dinges
 Roy White
 Frain Mark
 Alfred Crawford
 Andrew Miller
 Charlie Smith
 Fred Slack
 John Whiteman
 Roy Puff
 John Stover
 Swengel Smith
 Milton Krumbine
 Robert McCormick

Miss Helen Hosterman, who is giving instrumental music special attention at the Allentown College for Women, acted in the capacity of pianist. She is making great strides toward perfection.

KERLIN'S GRAND VIEW POULTRY FARM

W. W. Kerlin, Owner-Mgr.

Centre Hall, Pa.

(Established 1899)

Life Member



September 24, 1903 . . . THE RURAL MAIL SERVICE, inaugurated from the Centre Hall post office beginning of this month, is giving entire satisfaction. The mail carrier, William Keller, last week secured a regulation wagon which he finds a great help to the proper performance of his duties. Those living along the route, almost to a man, are taking advantage of the new service, and now wonder how they ever lived without it. Following will be found the names of the heads of families on the route and the distances and directions followed:

From Post Office south-east to Stump corner (2 miles).

George Durst	John Taylor
Lewis Sunday	Elmer Ishler
John Conley	David Keller
George Koch	Eliza Stump

North to P. W. Brown corner (7/16th mile).

Oscar Homan	Milton Snyder	Jerome Auman
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Retrace to Stump corner (7/16th mile) then S. E. to Youngmans-town pike (5/8th mile)

Victor Auman	Bigler Shaffer
Geo. Bryan	P. A. Auman

East to Keller corner (5/8th mile)

Ivy Bartges	D. C. Keller
Nathaniel Zeigler	Andy Rote

North and N-E to Smith corner (2 miles).

Charles Weaver	Howard Durst
John Korman	Philip Durst
Witmer Grove	John Durst
Arthur Grove	James McClintic
M. M. Decker	Isaac Smith
Geo. Gingerich	

North-west to Brush Valley Road (5/16th mile). Then south-westerly to Centre Hall Post Office (3 7/16th miles).

James Grove	Misses Bible
Gardner Grove	Adam Neese
George Emerick	Harry W. Dinges
William Fetterolf	George H. Emerick
William Homan	B. H. Arney
Jacob Sharer	Byron Garis
William Sholl	

South-west to Bartholomew's corner, (3 3/16th miles).

James Stahl	John Garver
John J. Arney	Mrs. Kate Horner
Xavier Gfrerer	Robert Smith

Frank Gfrerer
 Perry Luse
 George Sweeney
 Samuel Gross
 J. Q. A. Kennedy
 Samuel Bruss
 John D. Moore
 J. P. Houser
 Robert Bloom
 George Heckman
 John Heckman
 William Parker

Adam Rote
 Samuel Gingerich
 Jacob Sprow
 John Williams
 Frank Moyer
 Lanson Burris
 G. W. Glace
 John Snyder
 George Earhart
 C. B. Houser
 Aaron Lutz
 Elmer Harshbarger

South-east to Earlytown road (1 3/8th miles).

David Snyder
 John Breon

Richard Brooks

West to John Rishel (3/4 mile).

Alvin Stump
 John Cummings

John Frazier
 John Rishel

North-east to Bartges corner (2—3/16th miles).

Samuel Klinefelter
 Milton Kline
 John Bair
 Sarah Snyder

Nancy Yeager
 Andrew Gregg
 Charles Neff

South to Strohm corner (1 1/4 mile).

Samuel Reeder
 Elmer McClellan

William Grossman
 Arthur Slutterbeck

East to Floray corner (5/8th mile).

James Runkle

Frank Floray

North-west to Earlytown road (1 1/4 mile).

D. S. Glasgow
 D. W. Bradford

James Lytle

North-east to Old Fort (1 mile).

John Kline
 L. C. Lingle
 Samuel Durst

George Stover
 Abner Alexander
 Elmer Royer

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 CENTRE HALL, PA.

Compliments of—

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CENTRE HALL

North-west to Post Office (15/16th mile).

George Bradford
Thomas Grove

J. A. Kerstetter

Length of route is 22 and 7/16th miles; area covered 18 square miles; number of houses on route, 101; population served, 505.

Note:—As we prepare these pages, (summer of 1940) we are reminded frequently, that "time marches on!" William Keller, our first R. F. D. carrier has served his patrons long and well and is now retired from service.

During these thirty-seven years the route has been changed a number of times and for a number of years the territory was served by two routes, Jasper A. Wagner and Domer S. Ishler carrying for Route No. 2.

Today we have but one route but with the advent of the automobile delivery, the territory has been greatly increased.

Albert L. Emery, who has been capably serving this route for a number of years daily covers the territory east to Penn's Cave and west beyond Linden Hall, a distance of forty seven miles. There are 243 boxes on "Ab's" route, representing over 250 families.

Of the 105 heads of families listed as patrons of Centre Hall's first R. F. D. service we find that only ten are being served on this route today.

Thirteen are now citizens of Centre Hall, fifteen are living elsewhere and sixty-seven (64%) have been carried to their last resting place.

January 11, 1904 . . . The Centre Hall Foundry began operations today under the Luse Manufacturing Co., Ltd. The company is composed of John W. Shook, Spring Mills, president; D. F. Luse, vice president; Lyman L. Smith, secretary-treasurer and Perry Luse. Corn planters, etc. and the Luse hydrant will be manufactured.

The Centre Hall Normal and Preparatory School will open in April and continue for ten weeks. Two courses will be arranged; one for those preparing to enter College and another for those who are fitting themselves for teaching.—(Prof) John A. Young, Centre Hall, Pa.

March 10, 1904 . . . Miss Rebecca J. Moyer will open a select school Monday, April 11th with over thirty scholars enrolled.

August 11, 1904 . . . J. H. Krumbine, who recently sold his furniture and undertaking establishment to Messrs. LeRoy and Paul Rearick, Tuesday went to Vintondale where he will locate permanently in the near future.

November 10, 1904 . . . Young men who came home to vote were: Paul Murray, Senior at Penn. State; Charles Mitterling, drug clerk in Chicago; J. Frank Ross, clerk in R. R. office, Pittsburgh; Wm. A. Sandoe, Jr., clerkship in audit dept. Union Depot; Earl Fleming, Pittsburgh in same office; Messrs. Samuel and Milton Snyder, carpentering in Greensburg; P. Hoffer Dale, Medical student in University of Pennsylvania; Samuel Weber, Altoona; Will D. Shoop, Reedsville; Austin R. Krape, carpentering in Reedsville; Leslie W. Jacobs, hotel manager, Glen Iron; Wm A. Odenkirk, station agent at Glen Iron; John S. Hosterman, principal Walker Township High School; Newton E. Emerick, Wall; P. R. R. brakeman; Clyde Smith, telephone employee at Hollidaysburg; J. Samuel Rowe, N. Y., representing National Drill & Mfg. Co.; John Sanders, Ashtola, a Lawyer and Andrew Gregg, Philipsburg, telephone line construction.

March 2, 1905 . . . Ex-Sheriff Cyrus Brungart purchased the home now occupied by him in Centre Hall from Mr. Kauffman for the sum of \$1750. The dwelling is solid brick and was erected by J. O. Deininger, and first sold to the Cottels.

. . . Witmer E. Lee — Having secured the services of a first class assistant, we are now in a position to do all kinds of painting, graining, paper hanging, etc.

May 11, 1905 . . . The writer is indebted to W. A. Sutton, head of the shipping department of the Autocar Company of Ardmore, for his first ride in an automobile. The drive was over Lancaster pike from Ardmore to City Hall, Philadelphia, a distance of eight miles. This road passes through Lower Merion township, and the longest continuous stretch of macadamized road in the United States. The greatest satisfaction, however, lay in the fact that the man in charge was so thoroughly acquainted with the intricate parts of the auto and capable of controlling his machine in such manner as to create admiration. The Autocar Company employs fully five hundred men, and the popularity of the machines they make may best be judged from the fact that the orders far exceed the capacity of the factory.—S. W. Smith.

. . . Ira Green and William Dillon paid the full penalty, they gave their lives for killing Jerry Condo, turnkey, at the Bellefonte jail July 29, 1904, while engaged in a "jail break." May 9, 1905 they mounted the scaffold at 10:50 a. m. and the trap was sprung at 10:55. Thus the majesty of the law has been maintained and the solemn decree of the courts fulfilled.

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MAYTAG and EASY WASHERS

Electric Supplies

I service all makes of Washers and Irons.

Good Used Washers for Sale at all Times.

June 1, 1905 . . . DRILLING FOR OIL . . . The drill was set to work, on the Geo. H. Emerick farm east of town, along the Brush Valley road leading to Penn's Cave, at midnight—the dividing point between Friday, May 26th and Saturday May 27th, and except for 24 hours (Sunday) has been drilling continuously. At this writing (Wednesday noon, May 31, 1905) the drill has reached a depth of 80 feet. Mr. Brown, chief operator, who has spent all life in search of treasures, hidden at various depths in mother earth, is very sanguine that the drill he is now driving will bring profitable returns to the company for whom he is operating.

The Penns Valley Oil & Manufacturing Company, the official title of the corporation, was incorporated under the laws of Delaware, in the spring of 1903. The capital stock is \$100,000 with headquarters at Hazelhurst. The officers of the corporation are: President: C. A. VanGordon, Hazelhurst; Secretary: B. F. Starskey, Buffalo, N. Y.; Treasurer: Dr. S. S. Mackenzie, Boliver, N. Y.; Promoter: Wm. B. Mingle, Centre Hall, Pa. and Contractor: W. H. Brown, Mt. Jewett, Pa.

(Note: After many months of painstaking efforts, the above project was abandoned.)

November 23, 1905 . . . Friday evening of last week (November 17th) the lifeless body of Mrs. J. D. Murray was discovered by her husband at about 5 o'clock at which time Mr. Murray left his place of business—the drug store—to do the chores about the house. Immediately discovering the absence of Mrs. Murray, the husband began a search which resulted in finding the lifeless body of his beloved helpmate at the foot of the stairs, tightly wedged against the door.

Mrs. Murray was the youngest of the Hoffer family—daughter of Christian Hoffer, one of the pioneers of this section of the country, and was the last of the family to survive. The other members of the family were Peter, John and George Hoffer and Mrs. Henry Meyer. Mr. and Mrs. Murray were married over fifty-one years. They began housekeeping in the house which they occupied all these years. Age of deceased, 79 years, 16 days.

January 11, 1906 . . . The State of Pennsylvania has enacted Automobile laws, a few of which are appended:

- (a) The operator of the motor-vehicle must stop whenever signaled to do so by the driver of any horse or other animal.
- (b) The rate of speed in cities or boroughs must not exceed one mile in six minutes; outside of cities or boroughs one mile in three minutes.
- (c) All constables and police officers have authority to make arrests upon view and without warrant.

. . . The Centre Hall Roller Flouring Mills, J. H. & S. E. Weber, Propr's. White Lilly Flour and Mill Feeds. Highest market

prices paid for all kinds of grain - wheat, corn, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat. COAL: All sizes, best grades.

... The farmers of Centre County are organizing telephone lines and connecting with the Bell exchanges. The Centre County Pomona grange has had the matter under advisement for past several months and invited competitive bids by the two companies serving this section. They finally accepted the Bell proposition as being most advantageous, all things considered.

The committee finds that \$20 from each subscriber will build the lines. To those interested information may be had by addressing the Patrons Rural Telephone Co., Centre Hall.

... The Centre Hall Supply Co., Wm. F. Colyer, Jr. Manager.

We are paying the following prices:—Apples, per bu 75c; Potatoes per bu 40c; Onions per bu 40c; Chickens per lb 11c; Ducks per lb 11c; Geese per lb 11c; Live Veal per lb 6c; Hides, as to quality, 9c; Eggs per doz 15c; Cabbage per lb 1c.

March 16, 1906 ... Centre Hall Castle, No. 365, Knights of the Golden Eagle this evening in the Grange Arcadia. A. J. Hazel presided as Grand Chief, assisted by the following Sir Knights: Past Grand Chief, Samuel Weber. — Grand Vice Chief, Clyde Duck. — Grand Sir Herald, Jno. Roush. — Grand High Priest, W. E. Yearick. — Grand Master of Records, John H. Puff.— Grand Keeper of Exchequer, C. O. Grenoble — Grand First Guardsman, Clark Stover. — Grand Second Guardsman, Thos. Taylor — Venerable Hermit, R. U. Bitner—Clerk of Exchequer, Windom Gramley — Worthy Bard, Ivy Martges — Worthy Chamberlain, Daniel Heckman, Ensign, J. Osman, — Esquire, Wm. Ruhl.

The first and third degrees were conferred by the Millheim degree team, the second by Centre Castle team of Spring Mills. The following officers were elected and installed:

Past Noble Chief, John H. Puff
Vice Chief, John A. Martz
High Priest, Philip Frank
Keeper of Exchequer, Adam C. Ripka

Master of Records, C. W. Boozer
Worthy Chamberlain, C. E. Lutz
Esquire, Roy Stover

Noble Chief,
Geo. W. Bradford
Sir Herald, Benner Walker
Venerable Hermit,
Jerome Auman
Clerk of Exchequer,
J. Frank Bible
Worthy Bard, Wm. Lingle
Ensign, Adam Hoover

Rickert's Grocery

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CENTRE HALL, PA.

George K. Rimmey

McCORMICK-DEERING
FARM EQUIPMENT
INTERNATIONAL MILK COOLERS
McCORMICK-DEERING MILKERS
SALES AND SERVICE
PHONE 23R3 CENTRE HALL, PA.

Second Guardsman,
John A. Sweetwood

First Guardsman,
John Martz, Sr.

Trustees: Geo. Bradford, Edward Royer, William Floray

Those of the charter members present, not listed above, who received the degrees were: C. Ashel Stahl, Max Zerby, Chas. McClenahan, F. L. Walker, Geo. W. Nearhood, Sol. Lingle, Edward Royer, James Callahan, A. W. Garver, W. L. Jacobs, S. P. Garis, Wm. F. Colyer, Wilbur Bland, James Lingle, W. S. Walker, Wm. H. Keller, Bruce E. Runkle, Jerry Smith, Robert Smith, Chas. W. Poorman.

The regular place of meeting will be the second floor of Kreamer & Son's store building, where suitable quarters have been prepared. The order was organized by John H. Puff.

June 14 1906 . . . A number of property owners in town are planning to put down concrete walks. They will be built similar to those constructed in Rebersburg and Aaronsburg, which apparently withstand the effects of the frost. The crushed stone will be shipped from Bellefonte.

August 9, 1906 . . . The school board formally elected J. P. Smithgall, a graduate of Lycoming Normal and Bucknell University, to teach the high school at a salary of \$70 per month. Mr. Stroh's salary was raised from \$40 to \$45 per month. The rate of tuition for township scholars was set at \$1.50 per month, same as paid past six years. The tax rate was increased 1 mill, to 7½ mills, account of salary increases.

August 16, 1906 . . . Joseph Ramsey, Jr. confirmed in an interview in New York city the fact that he intends to build a double track railroad, operated by electricity, from New York to Pittsburgh and, ultimately, to Chicago, at a cost of \$150,000,000.00. At Gallitzin the roadbed will be 400 feet lower than the elevation of the Pennsylvania R. R. and the summit will be pierced by a tunnel 5200 ft. long, the road will then descend the eastern slope of the mountains, crossing the Bald Eagle Valley a short distance from Tyrone. It then passes through Loveville, Gatesburg, Pine Grove Mills, Shingletown, Tusseyville, crossing the Lewistown pike about three miles south of Centre Hall. Coal, from the Pittsburgh district, which has heretofore been denied an eastern market, will now be able to reach the Atlantic seaboard. The road will be known as the Keystone Air Line. (Note: As this book goes to press—fall of 1940—the L. & T. branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with one combination train each way per day, is all the excitement created in Penns Valley, so far as the railroads are concerned.)

. . . Dr. G. W. Hosterman, the dentist, is having an ascetylene light plant installed in his office and residence. It is the first plant of the kind in Centre Hall.

October 18, 1906 . . . And now an auto will be more frequently seen in Centre Hall since J. W. Mowery permanently located here. He has on of the largest and handsomest machines that goes down the pike.

November 1, 1906 . . . S. H. Knepley, Blacksmith and Wood Worker.

I have located opposite the school house, on Church Street, and am prepared to do general blacksmithing and wood-working. Special attention given to resetting tires and rimming wheels.

November 12, 1906 . . . In the editing of this book we are attempting, as much as space will permit, to report the various happenings throughout the community. We regret that during this period of 176 years, which our writings cover, we are called upon to mention, briefly, the sad death of one of our highly respected citizens at the hand of an unknown assassin.

Josiah C. Dale was murdered on this date while seated in his buggy after having spent the entire day at his farm on top of Nittany Mountain. Death was caused by a shotgun wound, at close range, which entered the back completely severing the main arteries of the heart.

Mr. Dale was survived by his widow and one son, P. H. Dale, who is, at this date (1940) a successful physicist at State College.

January 24, 1907 . . . J. T. Lee & Son. Having fixed up a shop on rear of our lot we are now prepared to do all kinds of wood work, painting and trimming. We make a specialty of rimming and spoking wheels. Spokes and rims always on hand and dry. House and Barn painting.

March 7, 1907 . . . The borough council met Monday night for purpose of re-organizing, which was effected by re-electing W. Frank Bradford, President and W. Gross Mingle, Secretary. Other members are: R. D. Foreman, John H. Weber, J. W. Mitterling, Cyrus Brungart and Ed. L. Crawford, the last two gentlemen being new members.

. . . Foreman & Smith, Grain House and Distributing Depot for "Pittsburgh Perfect" Fence. Don't fail to see us before buying your fencing.

Reish's Dairy

PASTEURIZED MILK & CREAM
CHOCOLATE MILK

(Made with Bosco non-settling syrup)

PATRONIZE YOUR TOWN DAIRY

—WE DELIVER—

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Runkle's Garage

W. S. RUNKLE

—GENERAL REPAIRING—

PRESSURE LUBRICATION — WAXING

POLISHING AND PAINTING

HOFFER ST.,

CENTRE HALL

March 21, 1907 . . . Kerlin's Grand View Poultry Farm — Eggs for Hatching from our Superior S. C. White Leghorns — Selected from 200-egg strain hens. Same quality you are asked \$2 to \$3 for elsewhere. Our price: 15 eggs, 60c.

April 4, 1907 . . . **The Centre Hall Post Office Robbed**, Easter morning, March 31st at about 2 'elock. The robbers obtained \$433.23 in stamps of various denominations and \$59.44 in cash. A number of people living in the vicinity of the post office were awakened by a noise believed to be a gun shot. The majority of the persons who heard the shot turned over on the other side and prayed Morpheus to again take them in charge but it was different with Miss Virna Geiss, daughter of D. K. Geiss, who lives almost opposite the post office building. Miss Geiss awakened her father who went next door and aroused his neighbor, B. D. Brisbin. Mr. Brisbin immediately telephoned W. B. Mingle, Esq. who promptly arrived, with others, armed with Winchesters. The robbers had fled.

Entrance to the post office was gained by prying the front door. The safe was cracked by use of nitroglycerine. In cleaning up the debris a package containing \$2.50 in dimes was found, which was the only cash left in the office.

In August, 1900, the Centre Hall post office was robbed in a similiar manner. On that occasion two men were ordered arrested by B. W. Brisbin and W. Gross Mingle. They were tried before a U. S. Marshall, but no evidence could be produced against them.

April 25, 1907 . . . The mail pouch and private papers of Postmaster, G. M. Boal were carried away at the time of the Easter morning robbery have been found along the creek above Potters Mills.

April 25, 1907 . . . The house defeated a resolution "requesting Roosevelt to accept a third term." When the speaker submitted the resolution to the House the "noes" were notably strong on the Democratic side.

May 2, 1907 . . . Rearick's Furniture Store, L. G. Rearick, Prop. (Successor to Rearick Bros.).

Don't be afraid to ask us for our price on furniture. Our business is growing, our stock increasing. We handle Sherwin-Williams paints.

August 29, 1907 . . . "The boys about town" had an idea how royally the Misses Krape would entertain their company from Bellefonte Tuesday night, and judging that they had prepared more good things than would be good for the stomachs of the invited guests, swiped a portion of the delicacies and fled to a secluded spot. Mr. Krape in hot pursuit with a loaded shot gun, but determined as he was to cripple the propelling machinery of the youths, they were too active for him to come within fair range.

(And as we reproduce these lines—in 1940—we wonder was it possible that our fair town ever possessed lads so wicked?—or did we?)

... Power paring machines have been installed in the Centre Hall evaporating plant and hereafter the operator will need only place the apples on three forks, one of which is always at a standstill, and a gasoline engine will do the rest.

November 14, 1907 ... The High School course mapped out by Prof. C. R. Neff, principal of the Centre Hall High School has received the endorsement of Supt. of Public Instruction, N. C. Schaeffer, and, if carried out, the borough school district will be entitled to its quota of an extra appropriation from the state school funds.

January 30, 1908 ... Chas. D. Bartholomew—Eggs for hatching. Kulp's and Steven's Single-comb White Leghorns bred from heavy layers, purchased direct from breeders. Early orders booked for day-old chicks.

... Mrs. Rebecca Murray—The finest rolls and bread baked anywhere you will find at Murray's Bakery, Centre Hall. Parties who are in need of any for sales or banquets will please call and see for themselves. Home-made ice cream at all times. Prices to suit everybody.

... S. W. Smith—Alfalfa for Chickens. In bales 80 to 100 lbs., is offered to poultrymen at 1c per lb. f. c. b. Centre Hall station. This is the third cutting, stored in October. The poultryman acquainted with his business knows the value of alfalfa.

April 16, 1908 ... C. H. Smith—Wall Paper and Paper Hanging. Call and see our large assortment of wall paper, or will bring samples to your home. Located in the Smith Studio, Kreamer's Store Building.

April 28, 1908 ... Under the Mercantile Appraisement, we find the following listed from Centre Hall:

—Retailers—

Benner, Geo., General store
 Boozer, D. A., saddlery
 Bushman, G. W., jewelry
 Centre Hall Supply Co.,
 Wm. Colyer, Jr., produce
 Dauberman, J. G., butcher
 Foreman (Robt. D.) & Smith
 (Lyman L.) grain and coal
 Henney, Mrs. Lucy, millinery
 Howard Creamery Co., produce

—Retailers—

Kreamer & Son, general store
 Luse, A. P. & Son, lumber
 Murray, J. D., drugs
 Meyers, W. H., general store
 Rearick Bros., furniture
 Royer, Ed., cigars
 Reesman, J. A., stoves
 Runkle, J. W., cigars
 Smith, J. Frank, general store
 Weber, J. H. & S. E., grain - coal

S. T. Riegel

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

CENTRE HALL, PA.

Compliments of—

Centre Hall Meat Market

FRANK W. SNOOK, Propr.

—Wholesalers—

Bartholomew, Chas. D.
eggs and poultry
Foreman & Smith,
grain and hay

Penn's Valley Produce Co.,
A. E. Kerlin, produce
Weber, J. H. & S. E.,
grain and hay

April 30, 1908 . . . D. Ross Bushman—Day-old Chicks for sale—Barred Plymouth Rocks and S. C. White Leghorns. Also eggs for hatching.

September 3, 1908 . . . Centre Hall's new reservoir is completed and the walls forming the basin have the appearance of being substantially built and capable of withstanding the pressure of water from within.

The dimensions are: top 44x81 ft.; bottom 34x73 ft.; depth 13.25 ft. which according to the Reporter's calculation will hold 297,648 gallons,—approximately twelve hundred (1200) TONS of WATER!

October 13, 1908 . . . This evening's west-bound passenger train took an open switch east of Centre Hall station and crashed into four empty freight cars. Conductor R. U. Reamer and baggage master John Fisher were injured. The cow catcher and other wooden portions on the front of the engine were reduced to splinters, and the engine generally wrecked. The passenger coaches were also more or less broken up. The freight cars, with one exception, were broken loose from their trucks and pushed forward.

February 11, 1909 . . . There's talk about the state removing all the toll gates! Who would furnish a better road between Centre Hall and Bellefonte than the present owners of that road? Not the state, nor the county, and should this road fall to the townships wagoning to Bellefonte would soon cease being a pleasure.

April 1, 1909 . . . D. W. Bradford has taken the agency for the sale of silos, manufactured from pine and cedar, which is termed the best material for silo building. The silo is a comparatively new innovation in this section, but is one of the best investments the farmer can make.

. . . C. F. Emery, general merchant (successor to W. H. Meyer)—Bargains in every department, \$9,000 stock of dry goods, shoes, notions—groceries, hardware, lettuce, celery, cabbage, fruits, etc. We pay best market prices for butter, eggs, lard, potatoes, meats, etc.

. . . Joseph Lutz opened his restaurant in the room adjoining the meat market and is serving ice cream, sandwiches, beans, etc.

April 22, 1909 . . . The clothing firm of Harry Witten & Co. opened their new store in the Rossman building Monday morning.

July 1, 1909 . . . An automobile line from Centre Hall to Bellefonte, it is thought by many, would be a good paying proposition. There is much travel between the two points, and just now everyone prefers riding on an auto to any other style of travel.

August 5, 1909 . . . Harry Harper came back from the east last week driving a five-passenger Ford, with top, '07 model. The machine is in good condition and is now undergoing a complete renovation. Harry is a genius and nothing will afford him more pleasure than to go over the slightly defective parts and correct them.

The machine is in the shop of Wilbur Henney, who will also lend his mechanical skill in the transformation. In fact the automobile about these parts that gets balky can be given a pill by these two mechanics that will cause it to move without pain. These young men have helped cut several tourists who stuck, and can and will do it again, when called on.

August 5, 1909 . . . Lumberman John Treaster is sporting an automobile, and it runs, too, when he wants it to. Mr. Treaster has a portable saw mill and has an eye to business. John will not let the automobile fever keep him from filling lumber orders.

September 2, 1909 . . . Mr. H. C. Robison, who has recently purchased an automobile, will soon move to Unionville, in order that he may be nearer his stave mill operations.

August 31, 1909 . . . Great enthusiasm was manifest this evening by the members of the local lodge, Knights of the Golden Eagle, at which time a temple to be known as "Central Queen Temple," was instituted. Instituting officer was Mrs. Mariah C. Barnes of Sharon, State Grand Templar, and Grand Marshall of Ceremonies, Mrs. Ida Friedley, of Altoona, and staff. The regular lodge room of the K. G. E. being too small, the ceremonies were held in the commodious rooms of Grange Arcadia. Appended are the names of the officers and membership:

Past Templar, Mrs Jennie Bradford; Noble Templar, Mrs. Nancy Bradford; Vice Templar, Miss Grace I. Ripka; Prophetess, Mrs. Lizzie C. Lingle; Priestess, Miss Florence Walker; Marshall of Ceremonies, Miss Mary E. Stump; Guardian of Music, Sarah A. Auman; Guardian of Inner Portal, Miss Elsie J. Kuhn; Guardian of Outer Portal, Charles Stump; Guardian of Records, Mrs. Blanche Bradford; Guardian of Exchequer, Mrs. Kathern L. Martz; Guardian of Finance, Mrs. Susan Hoover; Trustee, 6 months,

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Jerome Auman; 12 months, Alvin Stump; 18 months, George Bradford; Mrs. Margaret Shutt, Mrs. Mame Colyer, Mrs. Susan Kuhn, Mrs. Annie Auman, Mrs. Lizzie Bradford, Mrs. Katie Knofsinger, Miss Alma Horner, Miss Mary Lingle, A. C. Ripka, G. L. Horner, Wm. Bradford, John Martz, Sr., William Colyer, Roy Kuhn, Adam Hoover, John Angsladt, John Kuhn, Sidney Royer, Milton Bradford, John Martz, Jr., J. H. Puff, E. C. Lutz, Samuel Burris, A. W. Garver, Clyde Bradford, W. O. Horner.

June 9, 1910 . . . Superintendent Etters has completed the work of examining teachers for the south side of Centre County. The names of those examined at Centre Hall follow:

Mabel Arney
Lester E. Baird
John C. Homan
Foster B. Ripka
Chas. W. Witmer
Wm. O. Heckman
Harry Mensch
Chas. C. Beck
Geo. W. Harter
Wm. H. Henney
Bertha Miller
Edw. Mersinger
Maybelle R. Bair
D. Ross Bushman
Katharine Stover
Sarah Neff
Mary Bartges
Nellie B. Kerrin
Lodie G. Rishel
Emma. N. Eckley

Ralph E. Bitner
Elmer M. Miller
Bruce W. Ripka
J. Edward Zettle
Harry Corman
Clayton Homan
Bruce S. Ishler
Clarence F. Musser
Chas. W. Homan
Ruth Bower
Domer Ishler
Eruce Hagen
Carrie Bartges
Elizabeth Bitner
Cora M. Brown
Lena Emerick
Ruth Lohr
Isabel Rowe
Theressa Rachau
Gertrude R. Musser

August 11, 1910 . . . Not in a long while, until Thursday night of last week were there attempts made to rob. On that night a number of homes were entered by burglars who were, evidently, in search for nothing but hard cash. The total reward for the entire night's work was seventy cents, secured from the trouser pockets of Shannon Boal. In addition to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boal the homes of T. L. Moore, the Centre Hall hotel were entered and attempts to break into the residences of Mrs. Lillie Alexander and D. J. Meyer were made.

November 3, 1910 . . . Murray & Bitner, Druggists (successor to J. D. Murray).

A full complete line of drugs, toilet articles, etc. Prescriptions filled.

December 15, 1910 . . . The jewelry store of the late G. W. Bushman is offered at private sale. All jewelry, watches, silverware, clocks, etc. will be sold.—D. Ross Bushman.

January 5, 1911 . . . The installation of the officers of Progress Grange, Centre Hall, will be held this evening. Members are permitted to invite the family and friends to witness the ceremonies. Following officers will be installed:

Master: Dr. H. F. Bitner	Gate Keeper: Cloyd Brooks
Overseer: Harry W. Frantz	Pomona: Anna Durst
Lecturer: Prof. C. R. Neff	Flora: Florence Rhone
Chaplain: Mrs. John W. Conley	Ceres: Elsie Moore
Steward: Samuel Gingerich	Lady Steward:
Asst. Steward: Christ D. Keller	Mrs. Victor Auman
Treasurer: Geo. W. Gingerich	Insurance Director: D. K. Keller
Secretary: J. T. Potter	

February 4, 1911 . . . Local Teachers' Institute, comprising Centre Hall, Haines and Potter Township, was held this forenoon and afternoon in the Grange Arcadia. The program follows:

Devotional exercises, Rev. B. F. Bieber.

Music.

"Are we emphasizing mathematical studies to the hurt of English in the public schools?"—Henry M. Hosterman, A. T. Pletcher, Helen Bartholomew.

"School Discipline"—Thos. L. Moore, A. C. Ripka, John C. Bailly, Edward Mersinger.

Music.

"The New Course of Study"—Dr. H. F. Bitner.

Music.

"Some Suggestions to Improve Our Spelling in the Public Schools"
Prof. H. C. Rothrock, John Wetzell, E. H. Williams.

Music.

"Agriculture in the Public Schools"—Prof. C. R. Neff, S. W. Smith
Solo—Rev. S. A. Snyder.

"Mistakes in Teaching"—Dr. W. H. Schuyler, Orpha Gramley, Bruce Ripka, Charles Horner.

Recitation—Mrs. Rose DeWoodie.

"Methods of Teaching"—Prof. W. A. Krise.

April 20, 1911 . . . J. H. Detwiler, Propr., Puritan Stock Farm—Stallions for Service . . . Heart of Oak, 2:17 1—4 (P) Sire of Rosie Oaks, 2:26 1—4 timed 2:23. Own brother to the Duchess 2:05 1—4 (P) and three others in standard list. Fee: \$20 for living colt.

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May 4, 1911 . . . W. Gross Mingle—Build new with CONCRETE—Everlasting—Sanitary—Economical. Write me about what you intend to build. Complete information will be promptly furnished. Portland Cement, Crushed Stone, Building Supplies.

. . . J. S. Rowe—Pipe, both Iron and Lead Water Pipe, Pumps, Bath Room Work and General Plumbing. Hot water Heating.

June 15, 1911 . . . Ike Berney—Opening sale of new clothing store now in full swing. Most exceptional marked-down sale. Men's and Boy's suits, pants, hats, work and dress shirts. — In Hotel Building. "Jeff" Brown, Mgr.

February 22, 1912 . . . William A. Odenkirk, for some years connected with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as clerk and station agent, will be the successor of Register J. Frank Smith as merchant at the Centre Hall railroad station, in the well known Bartholomew stand. The store building and residence was purchased recently from W. H. Bartholomew by former Prothonotary, A. B. Kimport, and sold to Mr. Odenkirk last week for \$3250.00. Mr. Odenkirk also purchased the stock of store goods from Mr. Smith. The stand is a good one.

April 4, 1912 . . . Within the past ten days L. G. Rearick sold his undertaking business to Fred J. Tibbetts of Hartland, Maine. Mr. Rearick did not sell with the thought that his business was going out of date.

. . . Harry C. Shirk—Farm Machinery, Gasoline Engines, Fertilizers, Binder Twine, Repairs for Machinery. Your patronage is solicited.

April 25, 1912 . . . Chas D. Bartholomew contemplates extending Allison Street to the end of the borough line. This is the street running eastward from Main street between the Logan House on the north-east corner and the residence of W. Frank Bradford on the south-east corner. There are twenty-eight lots abutting this new development, fourteen on each side, with blocks of four lots each. A twenty foot alley is between each fourth and fifth lot, also a 20-ft. alley running parallel on the south and Conley's lane forming the alley on the north side. The lots are 60 ft. x 155 ft. Water and light are convenient and once dwellings are erected, the borough will be obliged to extend both over this new portion of town.

August 22, 1912 . . . Water-breaks declared illegal. Every township in Pennsylvania that continues to inflict the public with that relic of less enlightened days known as the water-break, or "thank-ye-ma'm" is laying its self open to heavy damages. Competent authorities on road construction have decided that water-breaks are unnecessary on a properly constructed road.

September 26, 1912 . . . The repair work being done on the old Lewisburg turnpike between the Old Fort and the Union County line, by merchant C. P. Long of Spring Mills who is acting fore-

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man for the State Highway Engineers, is being appreciated by the traveling public.

This section of the road has been in disrepute for a number of years. It was full of chuck holes, ruts, high breakers and in some places mud from hillsides had been washed down to a depth of six to eight inches. To show the importance of this road one need only mention that last week one hundred and seventy automobiles, some of them coming several hundred miles, and seven hundred and fifty other conveyances passed over it.

October 24, 1912 . . . Building operations . . . Every mechanic and laborer in town who has any inclination to work is as busy as a bee these days. Archy Zettle built a bungalow on his lot near the creamery to be used as a temporary home until his new dwelling house is completed. His father, Andrew Zettle, is also excavating a cellar for a new home nearby and a brother, Irvin Zettle, is now laying the foundation for his new home in the same section of town.

Chas D. Bartholomew erected three large stables on three lots on Allison Street and the portion of the Logan House, purchased by him, has been moved onto one of these lots and is being fitted up into a dwelling.

The foundation walls for the dwelling house to be erected by Samuel Shoop, opposite the school house, on Church Street, are nearly completed.

The three-story Reporter building is now ready for the roofing and brick layers.

December 19, 1912 . . . Postmaster, George M. Boal, has received instructions relative to the new parcel post law which becomes effective January 1, 1913. Parcels not weighing in excess of eleven pounds may then be sent by mail, at greatly reduced rates. There are certain limitations as to size, etc.

January 2, 1913 . . . F. V. Goodhart has purchased the furniture and undertaking business from F. J. Tibbetts who will leave Centre Hall within a few days, having purchased an undertaking establishment in Bethel, Maine. He will be accompanied to his new home by his eldest daughter, Miss Leila. His second daughter, Miss Iona, who is engaged in teaching school, will remain here for the present.

Mr. Goodhart advertises special price on golden oak bedroom suit, Hoosier kitchen cabinet, quartered oak parlor stands, dining chairs, white enameled iron beds, etc.

. . . Thos. L. Smith—successor to Andy Reesman—"Red Cross" Cook Stoves and Ranges, cooking utensils of all kinds. Spouting and roofing, sold by the foot or square, or will be placed. All work guaranteed.

April 17, 1913 . . . The Old District School was the title of a play rendered in Grange Arcadia by the members of the Y. P. B. The play was a success, financially and otherwise. Although all performed well the reciting of a dream by Ida Sweetwood, a member of the primary class, was much above the average. The performance, make-up and originality of Buster Brown (Bruce Stahl), Booker T. Washington (Roy Puff), and the teacher (Wm. Kerlin), were outstanding. Those participating in the play, in addition to the above, were: Savilla Rearick, Bertha Strohmeier, Mary Kennedy, Elsie Moore, Mary Dinges, Mary Whiteman, Besse Breon, Freda Bailey, William Garis, William Showers, Orvis and Willis Weaver, William Luse, John Whiteman, Roy White, Fred Stover, William Bailey and Ross Bushman.

June 26, 1913 . . . At a recent meeting of the school board Prof. Harry A. Dodson of Orbisonia was elected principal of the Centre Hall High School at a salary of \$80 per month. Prof. Dodson is a graduate of one of the state normal schools, has had thirteen years teaching experience and, with Mrs. Dodson and two daughters, will move to Centre Hall.

August 28, 1913 . . . THE RULES OF THE ROAD . . . Altho it is the general custom or rule for persons meeting in vehicles on a highway to pass to the right, yet this rule was modified by the supreme court of this state as follows:

When a horseman or light vehicle can pass with safety on the left of a heavily laden team, it is their duty to give way, and leave the choice to the more unwidely vehicle.

A traveler may use the middle or either side of the road at his pleasure, and he is not bound to turn aside for another who is traveling in the same direction, provided there be convenient room to pass on one side or the other. It is only where two travelers meet about the middle of the road that the general rule of passing on the right is to be observed.

A public road is a way for foot passengers as well as carriages, but a foot passenger is bound to exercise ordinary care to avoid an accident.

Automobile drivers have the same rights on a public highway as others, but greater obligations are enjoined upon them. When necessary "to insure the safety of the users of the highway, an auto driver must sound a horn, bell or other signal devise."

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November 6, 1913 . . . One hundred five votes were cast in the election. Borough officers elected were:

Judge of Election, John M. Luse; Inspectors, T. L. Moore, W. J. Smith; Council, W. F. Bradford, Daniel Daup, W. H. Meyer, J. H. Weber; Assessor, D. A. Boozer; Burgess, M. L. Emerick; Tax Collector, C. D. Bartholomew; Auditors, J. H. Knarr, S. S. Kreamer; Justice of the Peace, Cyrus Brungart; School Directors, J. G. Dauberman, D. F. Luse.

. . . Twenty-two automobiles conducted a "sociability" run from Harrisburg to Bellefonte, under the auspices of the Harrisburg Motor Club. Dr. R. A. Holmes with a Cadillac car won the silver loving cup awarded by citizens of Bellefonte for the best time record made. Dr. Holmes' time for the 116 miles was six hours, twenty minutes and ten seconds, a truly remarkable record considering the mountainous country traveled east of Woodward.

In the economy run I. W. Dill, with a new model six cylinder Hudson car won, making the splendid average of fifteen miles for every gallon gasoline consumed, making the entire trip without either tire or engine trouble.

Two passengers in the cars were former Centre Hall residents. Joseph Ross, who many years ago worked in the tailoring establishment of the Cottle Brothers, and Aaron Harter, for a number of years connected with the Centre Hall roller mills.

November 27, 1913 . . . The Metz "22" for only \$475! This is the car.—The Gearless Car—No clutch to slip—No gears to Slip. Fitted throughout with standard equipment which includes 4-cylinder, 22½ horse-power water cooled motor, Bosch magneto, 30-inch artillery wheels, best quality Goodrich clincher tires, torpedo semi-enclosed body, left hand-drive and center control. Travels from 28 to 32 miles on one gallon of gasoline and from 10,000 to 12,000 miles on a set of tires.—Geo. E. Meyer, Boalsburg, Agt.

. . . Scrivener and Conveyancer . . . Deeds, Mortgages, Bonds, Wills, Leases, Contracts and other legal papers carefully prepared at short notice. One year experience in law office. Terms reasonable.—Henry F. Bitner, A. M., Ph. D.

December 18, 1913 . . . Since February 18th of this year the Old Fort Hotel register shows that 4274 guests were served meals at that hostelry. Mr. Ed Royer, the landlord, states that many more meals were served than the register indicates, as in cases of a rush, tickets are sold making registering unnecessary.

December 25, 1913 . . . Home for Christmas . . . Communities like Centre Hall are the producers of the leaven that makes the dough rise in the larger centers—commercially and otherwise. The younger of the many generations that have gone out into the world from Centre Hall make an effort to reach the old home town, while the older ones have established homes for themselves,

and are enjoying the Yuletide there with their families. There are with us, in the prettiest and loveliest spot in all the kingdom today these, all of whom are enjoying the festive season: Misses Cora Luse and Isabel Rowe, students at Central State Normal School, Lock Haven; Ruth Smith, student at Bloomsburg Normal School; William Reish, Mercersburg Academy; Sarah Neff, Ralph Bitner and Gross Allison, Pennsylvania State College; Harry Hubler, railroad employee, Pine; Miss Elizabeth Boozer, teacher in public schools, Salix; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boozer, the former an electrician, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Magee, the former connected with the Customs House, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. William Reitz, the former principal of High School, Jarrettsville, Md.; Roy Puff, Milton; Miss Mary Delinda Potter, preceptress in the Richburg, N. Y., High School; S. Paul Dinges, insurance, Meadville; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Getchell and son, Youngwood; Miss Eloise Schuyler, teacher in the public school, Cape May, N. J.

And the last issue of the Centre Reporter, for the year 1913, closes with this: "Blessed is the peacemaker, for he has to live down the reputation of being a busybody."

February 26, 1914 . . . Within the past week a half interest in "The Centre Reporter" was transferred by bill of sale to Edward E. Bailey, who from this day on will assume the roll of local editor and business manager.

March 5, 1914 . . . The New Krit Automobile—\$950.00—with electric starter \$1050 f. o. b. Detroit, Mich. High-Priced Features of the Low-Priced KRIT: Streamline body; Rounded Radiator, Tapered Bonnet, Modern Fenders, Cork-Linoleum-covered, nickle-bound floor and running boards, Leather-lined body, Turkish Upholstery, Left Drive, Left Control, Driving Compartment entered from either side, Clear Vision, double-ventilating windshield, Leather-covered instrument board, Gasline tank in Dash—gravity feed, reserve supply tank, 4-cylinder Motor—ample power, Stromberg Carburetor with adjustment on steering column, Bosch Magneto, Disc Electric Starter, Multiple Disc Clutch, Electric Lights, Underslung Rear Springs, Vanadium Steel Springs, Stewart Speedometer (flush type), Long Wheel Base, Demountable Rims, Tire Carrier at Rear, GUARANTEED FOR ONE YEAR.
—S. C. Brungart, Agt., Spring Mills, Pa.

April 9, 1914 . . . Among the new residents in Centre Hall is Prof. L. O. Packer, who with his family moved here from Wilmerding. They occupy the home vacated by P. A. Leister, which was purchased a short time ago.

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Mr. Packer is a successful instructor in the school of Wilmerding and will continue in his profession in that city. The family prefers to live in the country and selected Centre Hall because of its homey appearance.

June 4, 1914 . . . Some forty barrels of road oil will be applied to the streets of Centre Hall, one section south of the diamond having already been oiled.

. . . Speeding auto cars and motorcycles is complained against by citizens of Centre Hall, who are beginning to see a real danger of the high speed of cars through the streets. There are but few automobile owners in the borough who have not frequently exceeded the speed limit of twelve miles an hour, and it is not unusual to see a car going at a twenty-five mile clip, and motorcycles at a higher speed.

July 23, 1914 . . . A business deal was closed Friday whereby the Murray & Bitner drug store passed into the hands of B. D. Brisbbin and his daughter, Mrs. B. M. Boon, the business to be conducted under the firm name of B. M. Boon & Co.

August 27, 1914 . . . Chas. D. Bartholomew has just returned from a trip to New York, Philadelphia and Atlantic City. He was accompanied by his brother, E. L. Bartholomew. While the trip was partly for pleasure, yet it was to a great extent on business since Chas. D. has a pen of five S. C. White Leghorn pullets entered in the North American Egg Laying Contest at Thorndale. These birds, at the end of 42 weeks, have laid 940 eggs, an average of 188 eggs each with ten weeks yet in which to raise their average past the 200-egg mark. A splendid record, considering that the average American hen lays but 72 eggs in a year.

September 3, 1914 . . . The Centre Hall public schools opened this week with one hundred six pupils in attendance the first day. Those in attendance, and the teachers, are as follows:

PRIMARY GRADE; Miss Helen Bartholomew, teacher: Ralph Emerick, Elizabeth Gross, Frank Gross, Lottie Keller, Luther Krebs, Robert Krebs, Helen Long, Edna Luse, Geo. Lutz, Grace McClenahan, Miriam Moore, Ralph Martz, John Meyer, Paul Miller, Dorothy Packer, Vivian Packer, Helen Runkle, Ruth Runkle, Franklin Runkle, Evers Ripka, Joseph Ruble, May Smith, Kathryn Wagner, Mary Weaver, Mary Weber, Florence Zettle, Vianna Zettle, William Zettle.

INTERMEDIATE GRADE; T. L. Moore, teacher: Gertrude Ruble, Sara Zettle, Hazel Ripka, Madaline Smith, Grace Fye, Helen Krebs, Louella Ruble, Beatrice Kreamer, Gladys Packer, Helen Lucas, Grace Miller, Anna Garis, Sara Snyder, Marian McClenahan, Ethel Frank, Miriam Foss, Vivian Foss, Florence Krape, Isiah Emery, Jefferson Slick, Harold Keller, Newton Crawford, William Sweetwood, Fred Lucas, Howard Emery, Harold Breon, Albert Smith, Daniel Daup, Ralph Owens, Clyde Smith, Harry

Gross, Paul Fetterold, Franklin Ruble, John Lutz, Miles Snyder, Albert Emery.

GRAMMAR GRADE; Ross Bushman, teacher: Elizabeth Sweetwood, Miriam Huyett, Margaret Emery, Gladys Jones, Carrie Mitterling, Pearl Ruble, Ruth Parsen, Ruth Bartges, Catherine Bradford, Catharine Ruble, Annabel Smith, Beula Foss, Agnes Bible, Lynn Bitner, James Sweetwood, Dwight Foss, Sumner Packer, Shannon Boozer, Ernest Frank, Ralph Henney, Frederick Moore, Reuben Zettle, Ernest Kuhn, Rebecca Kreamer, Adaline McClenahan, Carrie Belle Emerick.

HIGH SCHOOL; Prof. H. A. Dodson, principal: James Keller, William Ealey, Ralph Luse, Carl Auman, Perry McKinney, Robert Neff, Mary Dinges, Grace Ishler, Carrie Sweetwood, Esther Parson, Marion Royer, Ida Sweetwood, Lillian Emery, Mary Whitman, Mae Royer.

January 21, 1915 . . . The drug store, purchased last spring by B. D. Brisbin and daughter, Mrs. B. M. Boon from Murray & Bitner, has again changed hands, the new owner being Prof. H. A. Dodson, principal of the borough schools. Mr. Dodson took charge of the business Saturday, retaining Miss Mabel Arney as clerk.

March 11, 1915 . . . On Saturday, March 6th, John H. Weber sold his business, the Centre Hall Flouring Mill, to W. Frank Bradford, agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad at the local station. The sale includes the plant, complete stock, equipment and a dwelling located south of the mill.

Previous owners of this establishment were J. H. & S. E. Weber, who purchased same from John S. Auman in 1904. Owners prior to Weber Bros. were W. H. Bartholomew and Kurtz & Son.

March 18, 1915 . . . L. L. Smith—Dealer, The New 8-Cylinder "KING" Automobile, complete for \$1350.00 f. c. b. Detroit, Mich. Shall be pleased to demonstrate the King car to you at any time.

. . . F. P. Geary installed a gasoline light plant in the Post office. Mr. Geary has installed the system in a number of places in town and the light gives entire satisfaction.

. . . Acquisitions to the population of Centre Hall are A. C. Ripka, who purchased the Luse home; Charles Pennington, the baker, in the Bartholomew building; Mrs. Ida Snyder, on the second floor of the Rossman store building; Perry W. Breon in the Dr. George

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Lee property; Roy L. Tressler, in the Kate Horner property, Wm. H. Stover in the Bartholomew house on Hoffer street.

April 15, 1915 . . . Spring is just around the corner . . . The "Behind-the-stove-league" have abanded their quarters and come out as the "Whittler's Brigade," a few shavings having been found in front of Emery's store this morning. Another sign is that, since last Saturday, the butter has been soft enough to spread nicely.

April 22, 1915 . . . Dr. H. H. Longwell's Krit roadster was put out of commission Saturday afternoon when the steering apparatus suddenly went wrong and the car crashed into a tree, on the Brush Valley road, a short distance east of Centre Hall. The car turned on its side and the doctor and his companion, Daniel Daup, were spilled to the ground. Both escaped injury. The car is now undergoing repairs at the Harper & Durst garage. Monday Dr. Longwell purchased a new Buick car.

May 27, 1915 . . . One automobile to every seventeen residents is what Centre Hall claims at the present time. It was not a long way back to the time when the first car claimed its residence here and now there are thirty in town with nearly as many more owned by farmers in the surrounding territory.

July 22, 1915 . . . Philip H. Meyer, Factory Representative for the Weaver Piano.

The Weaver piano has no superior in the piano world for durability and sweetness of tone. Ask for catalog and prices.

December 18, 1915 . . . Put down this date as one of the most memorable days in the history of Centre Hall for it was on this date, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, to be exact, that the first electricity for the furnishing of light and power entered the borough. There was no notice given by the State-Centre Electric Co. of their intention of turning on the "juice" and the discovery of its presence was purely accidental. C. Wm. Boozer was in the basement of the Reformed church where is located the switch that throws on the power for running the motor connected with the new pipe organ. A flash of sparks when the switch was thrown, and the humming of the motor, announced that electricity for the convenience and utility of the residence of Centre Hall was no longer a dream, but a reality.

The first light in town was turned on in the tonsorial parlor of F. P. Geary where five 100-watt lamps shed forth a brilliant white light. The work of wiring private residences is going on at present and will continue for some time. The size of lights for the streets, and the locating same has not yet been fully determined by the borough council but the matter will be taken up at an early meeting.

January 27, 1916 . . . On every tenth farm in Pennsylvania there is an automobile. Last year 159,984 automobiles were regis-

tered in the state and of this number 22,608 were owned by agriculturists. In Centre County there are 208 cars owned by farmers and are used for business and pleasure.

February 24, 1916 . . . Prepare yourself for Higher Education by taking a Six Week's Course at the Centre Hall Summer Normal. Preparatory work for High School or College may be had. —W. O. Heckman, A. B., Principal Centre Hall Schools.

March 2, 1916 . . . "Uncle Ephraim's Summer Boarders," a home talent play presented in Grange Arcade, proved a delightful event. The net proceeds were \$50.00. From Uncle Ephraim down the line to Sam Johnson, the darky fun maker, it was apparent that parts were selected with a view to appropriateness.

The performance of two small children, Miriam Moore and Byers Ripka—in song and speech, is entitled to special praise. Several solos by Mrs. S. S. Kreamer, Mrs. T. L. Moore, W. W. Kerlin and Dwight Foss, were highly enjoyed. Misses Besse Breon and Rebecca Kreamer furnished excellent piano duets. The cast of characters follows:

Ephraim Higgins	T. L. Moore
Mrs. Higgins.....	Mrs. S. W. Smith
Mollie, Annie, Susie, Betty, their daughters: Freda Bailey, Mary Whiteman, Gladys Jones, Elizabeth Sweetwood	
Squire Briggs	D. Ross Bushman
Mrs. Briggs	Savilla Rearick
Mrs. Phalen	Mrs. T. L. Moore
Mr. Phalen, alderman uv th' tinth ward	J. H. Puff
Tom and Kate Phalen	Frederick Moore, Hazel Ripka
Ebenezer Saunders	Wm. W. Kerlin
Sam Johnson,—highly colored gemen,	Roy Puff
Herr Cominsky	Alfred Crawford
Percy Augustus Witherspoon	James Sweetwood
Mrs. Bangs, a suffragette	Helen Bartholomew
Mr. Bangs, her obedient husband	C. D. Bartholomew
Harold Bangs, their son	Byers Ripka
Madam Elson, an actress	Mrs. S. S. Kreamer
Dorothy Elson, her daughter	Miriam Moore
Drucina Ketchum	Mrs. D. W. Bradford
Mrs. Robert Lindsey Von Cleave	Martha Beal
Lucile and Marguerite Von Cleave.....	Mrs. G. O. Benner, Ida Sweetwood

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 Silas Stubbins Dwight Foss

... The announcement of the stockholders of the turnpike between Centre Hall and Bellefonte having agreed to sell to the State at the State's figures, is indeed a good piece of news to Penns Valley folks—both motorists and others. The parting with the big end of a fifty-cent piece for toll for every trip across the mountain did not have the tendency to create more trips than were considered a necessity.

... Work was begun last week on replacing the telegraph with the telephone on the L. & T. branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad between Montandon and Bellefonte. Saturday the first steel coaches were used by the R. R. over our local branch.

March 23, 1916 ... The Spring Movings ... Capt. W. H. Runkle from the Nearhood house to a part of the W. Cook Hubler home; Elmer Stump, the wireman, from Bellefonte into the Nearhood house; Mrs. Emma Breon will vacate the Dr. Lee property and with her daughter, Miss Besse, will remove to State College; Forester Leonard Barns will occupy the Lee house.

F. J. McClellan vacates the Lambert property to follow the Barnes family in the house on Hoffer Street, purchased by D. Geiss Wagner from Mrs. Emma Homan; Aaron Thomas from the From property, recently purchased by Miss Sara McClellan, to a part of his property on Hoffer Street. Palmer E. Dreese will follow Mr. Thomas.

Dr. J. R. G. Allison quits the hotel business here to engage in similar business in Millheim, taking over the National Hotel in that place. J. W. Runkle will again assume the management of the local hostelry.

After having occupied the store room in the Hotel building for a period of about 25 years, D. A. Boozer moves into his own building, now used as a garage by Boozer & Fetterolf. The livery business will be discontinued by Boozer & Fetterolf. The garage, which is the same quarters occupied by the Centre Reporter prior to moving into its own present home, will be remodeled with a view of adding both to attractiveness and convenience.

In the livery Mr. Boozer will be followed by Lyman L. Smith who will start in "all new"—new horses, vehicles and autos.

The Boozer Harness shop will be occupied by Chas. Pennington, the baker, who since doing business in Centre Hall has been located in the Bartholmew building next to the Reporter building. The removal of the baker to the hotel site will necessitate extensive remodeling on the part of Mr. Runkle to the old store room, the oldest business stand in Centre Hall.

April 13, 1916 . . . A Wireless station, to receive messages by Continental code, is being erected on the Samuel Durst farm, at Earlytown, by Mr. Durst's sons, Edward and Ray, the latter a student at the Bellefonte High School where he learned the principles of wireless telegraphy. The wires which will receive the aerograms are strung from the barn to the house.

. . . At a regular meeting of the Borough council, complaint was made by a number of citizens from different parts of town in regard to the parking of automobiles in front of private residences and the annoyance caused by same. The matter was placed in the hands of the nuisance committee with power to act. The committee hereby requests all parties to discontinue the parking or placing of automobiles or other vehicles any place that is in any way an annoyance to any resident. The committee hopes it will be unnecessary to take further action in regard to the above.—By Order of Council.

. . . Zettle & Lucas, Contractors and Builders, Centre Hall Planing Mill . . . All kinds millwork done on short notice and with guarantee of correctness. Special prices on cypress and yellow pine lumber, sash, doors, window frames and builders hardware.

April 20, 1916 . . . The Centre Hall Drug Store, best known as Murray's Drug Store, changed hands last week when Dr. H. H. Longwell purchased the drugs and patents from H. A. Dodson who conducted the store for a period of fifteen months. Dr. Longwell has secured the services of Harry Kline of State College, a young man who is a graduate of the pharmaceutical school of the University of Pittsburgh.

May 1, 1916 . . . Centre Chapter, No. 207, Order of the Eastern Star, was instituted at Centre Hall this evening. The birth of the new Chapter took place in the rooms of Progress Grange. The ceremony, incident to the institution was conducted by members of the Grand Chapter, consisting of: Mrs. Emma C. Robison, Pittsburgh, Worthy Grand Matron; Mrs. Adaline W. Barns, Pittsburgh, Worthy Grand Secretary; Mrs. Nina E. Butler, Dubois, District Deputy Grand Matron of 16th district of the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania; Arthur C. Sweet, Scranton, Worthy Grand Patron.

Assisting these in the work were the following officers and members from Mifflinburg Chapter, No. 152: Mrs. Cary B. Saxon, Worthy Matron; M. E. Wittenmyer, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, Associate Matron; Mrs. Anna Knauff, Treasurer;

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CENTER HALL . . . As we see it from the roadside at the top of old Nittany Mountain. It was here that Capt. James Potter, in 1764, viewed what is now Penns Valley and exclaimed: "By Heavens, I have discovered an empire."
(Photo by W. W. Kerlin)

Mrs. Mamme Gast Roush, Secretary; Mrs. Eva Speiglemyer, Conductress; Mrs. L. F. Lybarger, Associate Conductress. The star points were represented by Mrs. Sara Bickle, Ada; Mrs. Sara V. Strunk, Ruth; Mrs. Minerva C. Gutelius, Esther; Mrs. Hanna Speiglemyer, Martha; Mrs. Minnie Steese, Electa; Miss Bertha Kleckner, Warden; Liman W. Strunk, Sentinel; Mrs. Alice V. Parvin, organist; Mrs. Mary E. Johnson, Chaplain; Mrs. Annie E. Diefenderfer, Marshall; Mrs. Ella B. Gant, Mrs. Verna Musser, Mrs. Anna Wittenmyer, M. E. Diefenderfer and Lee Francis Lybarger, members.

The following members were elected and formally installed as the first officers of the chapter:

Worthy Matron:	Worthy Patron:
Mrs. Anna M. Fisher	Henry F. Bitner
Associate Patron:	Secretary:
Mrs. Anna Puff	Miss Mary Delinda Potter
Treasurer:	Conductress:
Miss Mabel Allison	Miss Clara Condo
Associate Conductress:	Organist:
Mrs. Carrie M. Wieland	Mrs. Marion Stover

Following are the appointive officers: Mrs. Anna Bradford, Miss Pearl Arney, Miss Margaret Jacobs, Miss Miriam Long, Miss Madge Braucht, Mrs. Ada Finkle, F. M. Fisher.

Others elected to membership and installed are: Mrs. Agnes Bitner, John J. Arney, Mrs. Ella Shoop, Mrs. Annie Kerstetter, Mrs. Lucy Henney, Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs, Mrs. Laura Lee, Mrs. Ellen Jones, Robert Raymond Jones, Mrs. Clara Rossman, Mrs. Birdie Decker, Miss Cora Boal, Mrs. Elizabeth Shirk, Miss Martha Boal, Mrs. Elsie McClenahan, Miss Miriam Finkle, Mrs. Barbara Long, Mrs. Martha Boozer, Mrs. Cora Foss, Mrs. Lillian Slick, Mrs. Mable Musser, Mrs. Eleanor Snook, Miss Mary Fisher, Mrs. Jennie M. Geesey, Miss Mazie Foster, Mrs. Ada Kennedy, Miss Mary Kennedy, Miss Edna Murray, I. Mervin Arney, Mrs. Ella Arney, C. William Boozer, Miss Sarah Neff, Miss Edna Neff, Miss Bertha Miller, Mrs. Anna Brooks.

May 11, 1916 . . . At the regular monthly meeting of the Centre Hall school board all teachers were reelected at salaries as indicated below:

High School, Prof. W. O. Heckman, \$100.00 per month
Grammar School, Elmer R. Miller. \$55.00 per month

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Intermediate School, D. Ross Bushman, \$55.00 per month
Primary School, Miss Helen Bartholomew, \$50.00 per month

June 22, 1916 . . . The First Electric Lights were turned on the streets of Centre Hall Saturday night, June 17th. There was much rejoicing!

July 13, 1916 . . . 2,500 JOINED ODD FELLOWS IN CELEBRATING THE "FOURTH!"—

SUCCESS, written with capital letters, is a fitting word to use in speaking of the Odd Fellows' Fourth of July celebration in Centre Hall. Seven hundred dollars, derived from the sale of dinners, ice cream, sandwiches, etc. is proof that a big gathering of people were present on the big day. Grange Park took on the appearance of one of the big days of the Encampment and Grange Fair.

Many visiting lodges contributed to the success of the affair by their appearance here in great numbers. Loganton lodge was represented in the parade by a large delegation as was also lodges from Mifflin, Clinton and Perry Counties.

Odd Fellows, Eagles, Rebekahs and children took part in the parade, the little musicians from the Sunbury Odd Fellows' Orphanage played music along the way. A feature that stood out prominently and which carried a touch of Odd Fellowship was the appearance at the head of the column of Masters Stanley and James Brooks, in high silk hats, driving a pony cart. They carried a banner bearing the phrase well known to all Odd Fellows, "We're on our way to Jericho."

At the dinner hour there was a rush to partake of the roasted ox which had been prepared whole in a large galvanized iron roaster the night before. It was impossible to promptly take care of the crowd and many left the grounds to secure meals at the hotels. The ox was stripped clean to the bones and another quarter of beef was disposed of in dinners and sandwiches. One hundred thirty gallons of ice cream, dozens of cases of soft drinks and other refreshments were consumed in the day's celebration.

All sorts of athletic events were held, culminating in a baseball game between Boalsburg and Spring Mills, the latter winning 2-0. Opposing pitchers were Corman for Spring Mills, Ross for Boalsburg. Pitching honors were even, scoring resulting by errors.

The treasury of the local order was handsomely enriched through the profits of the day, which will go towards the fund for a lodge home all their own.

. . . The Potter Township school board has elected the following teachers for the 1916-17 term: Potters Mills Grammar, Alfred Crawford; Potters Mills Primary, Elizabeth Bitner; Center Hill, Bertha Miller; Cold Spring, Nellie Bible; Fleisher's Gap, William Rocky; Colyer, Clarence Musser; Pine Grove, Wilbur Runkle;

Tusseyville, Mary Neff; Tussey Sink, Mary Slutterbeck; Earlystown, Cora Luse; Manorhill, Edna Neff; Pine Stump, Anna Grove; Plum Grove, T. L. Moore.

... Messr. B. D. Brisbin and C. D. Bartholomew brought the merchandise and fixtures at the Kreamer store sale Tuesday morning. The price paid was \$2465. A dozen Jewish merchants from various parts of the state were after the stock and the bidding for a time was lively. The purchasers propose marking down the stock to a fraction of its real value and selling it out to the public at a sacrifice sale.

August 10, 1916 ... During the past week Boozer & Smith sold eight new automobiles to the following: A. P. Krape, Jas. L. Decker, each a 5-passenger Dodge; Victor A. Auman, A. E. Kerlin, Geo. W. Bradford, J. W. Dashem, R. M. Smith and J. C. Vondada, each a Ford touring car.

August 24, 1916 ... THE WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL LOW PRICED CAR ... 31½ Horse Power! The New Series Overland—4 cylinder in block motor, 3 3/8" bore x 5" stroke, 104-inch wheel base, 4-inch tires—5-Passenger Touring. \$635.00 f. o. b. Toledo. The 31½ h. p. motor is a perfect marvel for speed, power and endurance. Speed, of course, varies under different conditions, but in practically every instance has been able to get 50 miles per hour! The 4-inch tires are more than generous; Large, roomy, attractive up-to-date streamlined body.—Geo. H. Emerick, Agent.

... E. C. Wagner—Use Wagner's High Grade Pulverized Limestone—sweeten your soil and see the results on your crops. Analysed as high as 96%.—\$2.00 per ton, loose \$3.00 per ton in paper sacks.

September 28, 1916 ... The past week witnessed the departure of a number of Centre Hall's young people for college and normal schools. The list follows: Ralph E. Bitner, Chester E. Kurtz, Cornell University, Ithica, N. Y.; William Reish, Henry Mitterling, Pennsylvania State College; James Lingle, Susquehanna University; George Boozer, Mercersburg Academy; Misses Ruth Smith and Ida Sweetwood, Bloomsburg Normal School; Miss Mable Arney, University of Pittsburgh; James Keller, Franklin and Marshall college, William, George and Bernice Swartz of Tusseyville, Susquehanna University; Lee Frazier State College; Miss Pearl Kurtz, Syracuse University.

... Washington Camp, No. 889 Patriotic Order Sons of America, was instituted at Centre Hall last Thursday evening in the rooms

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of Progress Grange, in Grange Hall, with a membership of forty. The work of installing the officers was performed by W. D. Custard, District President, from the State College Camp. J. W. Yeisley, State organizer, was present and directed the work as well as giving instructions relative to conducting the new-born Camp.

The first officers of the Camp are: Past President, E. S. Ripka; President, Thos. L. Smith; Vice Pres., C. D. Bartholomew; Secretary, D. Ross Bushman; Assistant Secy., Edw. E. Bailey; Financial Secy., Edw. W. Crawford; Treasurer, D. W. Bradford; Master of Forms, Robt. D. Foreman; Conductor, Harry E. Weaver; Chaplain, Chas. T. Crust; Inspector, E. M. Brown; Guard, Samuel Gross; Right Sentinel, Alfred Crawford; Left Sentinel, William Gáris; Trustees: M. M. Keller, Robert Glasgow, G. W. Harter. (Note: Membership, July 1, 1940—118)

October 12, 1916 . . . Excavation will shortly be made for the foundation for a home to be erected by J. Frank McClellan on the lot on the rear of which is located the Penn Carbonating Works, owned and operated by Mr. McClellan. The carpenter work will be done by the Hagens.

November 11, 1916 . . . Today is the Formal Opening Day at the Smith Quality Store, C. M. Smith, Propr., in the I. O. O. F. building,—the former Kreamer & Son general store room.

. . . Dr. H. F. Bitner sold his residence to F. M. Fisher of Penn Hall, the consideration being \$4,000.00. Dr. Bitner will not deliver up the property, however, until the spring of 1918, at which time he contemplates removing to State College on account of the educational advantages the college town will afford for his youngest son, Lynn. Mr. Fisher will move to Centre Hall at that time, retiring from the mercantile business in which he has been engaged for more than thirty years. Mr. Fisher represents the third generation in operating the Penn Hall Store. Adam Fisher, in 1840, having been the founder.

December 7, 1916 . . . J. L. Decker—You can have Christmas all the year 'round if Santa Claus brings a New Edison Diamond Amberola Phonograph.—A perfect musical instrument. A call on the bell 'phone will bring me to your home for a demonstration.

December 7, 1916 . . . Domer S. Ishler—No Punctures! No Blow-Outs! Sooner or later you are bound to equip your car with ESSENKAY, the remarkable substitute for air in automobile tires . . . Why not now? Rides like air on smooth surfaces—easier than air over rough roads. (Mr. Ishler has taken care of thirty seven orders for Essenkay in his district in the short time in which he has been engaged in this work).

March 22, 1917 . . . William McClenahan—I receive carload shipments of oils and gasoline and can supply you at all times at lowest prices.

AMERICA IS AT WAR!

On the following few pages we shall attempt to review, more or less briefly, the part Centre Hall and vicinity played in "World War No. 1." So far as history of this great war is concerned, we shall leave this to the Historians.

Germany's declaration of unrestricted submarine warfare made the entrance of the United States into the conflict inevitable. APRIL 2, 1917 President Woodrow Wilson asked Congress to declare a state of war. On APRIL 4th the Senate adopted the resolution, the next day the resolution passed the House and on APRIL 6th, the President made his formal declaration of war.

Thus America entered the war,—at war to end all wars!

The first step in line with the preparedness propaganda which is being instituted in Centre County, under the auspices of the Public Safety Committee, organized at the instance of Governor Brumbaugh, will be in the form of sixteen public meetings to be held throughout Centre County Saturday evening, April 21, 1917. The speakers for Centre Hall were Dean Holmes and W. H. Tomhave. The former opened the meeting by a ringing patriotic address. Mr. Tomhave addressed the gathering on the necessity for intensive farming. Prof. C. R. Neff presided in an able manner and Rev. R. R. Jones invoked the divine blessing.

June 5, 1917 was "Registration Day." All men between 21 and 30 years were required to register. Registration booths were opened from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m.

The first registration card to be filled out per the conscription requirements and mailed to Robert D. Foreman, the local registrar, came from Ralph E. Bitner, son of Prof. H. F. Bitner, who is a student at Cornell University. Those registered at Centre Hall and the several Potter Township districts follow:

CENTRE HALL BOROUGH

Bailey, Edw. E.
Bitner, Ralph E.
Barnes, Leonard G.

Bushman, David Ross
Bradford, David Milton
Bradford, John Wm.

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Coldren, John M.
Dinges, Ralph E.
Fetterolf, Frank
Garis, Phil. Sheridan
Heckman, Wm. O.
Hartley, Jos. H.
Ishler, Domer S.
Kerlin, Wm. W.
Kurtz, Chester A. R.
Lambert, Earl C.
McClenahan, Is. Clymer
Miller, Elmer M.
Meyer, John F.

Meyer, Robert C.
Mitterling, Wm. Henry
Meyer, Orvis C.
Moyer, Harry L.
Nale, Wm. B.
Puff, Jno. LeRoy
Righter, Fred B.
Stover, Clyde W.
Stump, Jno. Wm.
West, Erdman
Weaver, Orvis P.
Whiteman, John
Zettle, Richard

POTTER TOWNSHIP (North Precinct)

Arney, Jno. Bruce
Brooks, Guy R.
Bloom, Danl. B.
Crawford, Geo. Alfred
Dutrow, Peter LeRoy
Detwiler, Saml. J.
Frohm, James E.
Garis, Herbert P.
Grove, Saml. C.
Homan, Jno. D.
Lingle, Elmer C.
Moyer, Archey A.
Miller, Chas. M.
Potter, Boyd E.
Rudy, John I.
Shultz, Fred Y.
Smith, Adam B.
Vonada, Jay A.
Whiteman, Ira D.

Brooks, Jewett S.
Brooks, Emmett
Burris, Harry L.
Colyer, Wm. F.
Durst, Franklin Ray
Walker, R. C.
Frazier, Lee W.
Grove, Earl J.
Garis, John W.
Homan, Ralph G.
Keller, B. M.
Lucas, Wm. N.
Miller, Clarence T.
Meeker, L. W.
Ramer, Amos E.
Smith, Charles
Smith, John Elliott
Shuey, Jno. Irvin
Weaver, Grover C.

POTTER TOWNSHIP (South Precinct)

Burkholder, John H.
Boob, John M.
Dashem, Wilbur J.
Faust, Jacob H.
Harter, Geo. W.
Harshberger, F. M.
Hackett, Calvin B.
Halderman, M. A.
Koonsman, Perry E.
Kifer, Clarence W.
Long, Morris L.
McCormick, Geo. H.
Montgomery, Wm. F.
Neff, Harry A.

Neff, John H.
Royer, Jno. H. F.
Reish, Wm. W.
Smith, Chas. S.
Slack, George B.
Schuyler, Harry
Schaeffer, Jas. Roy
Smith, John R.
Smith, Jno. Wm. Jr.
Treaster, Ernest J.
Thomas, Richard V.
Thomas, Wm. A.
Weaver, Clyde B.

POTTER TOWNSHIP (West Precinct)

Brown, James F.
Bubb, Chas. H.
Eminhizer, Paul D.
Fye, Chas. E.
Floray, Frank J.
Horner, Orvis L.
Horner, Samuel H.
Horner, Oscar
Ishler, Bruce S.
Klinefelter, F. W.

Leitch, Edw. W.
Marks, Adam R.
Dashem, W. Frank
Runkle, Wilbur S.
Swartz, William
Smith, Wallace R.
Slutterbeck, C. E.
Stoner, Wm. R.
Taylor, Jesse D.
Zerby, Edward

July 19, 1917 . . . Centre Hall contributed two more volunteer soldiers to Uncle Sam's service within the past week, bringing the total up to five. The latest additions were William and John Garis, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Byron W. Garis. The former enlisted in the regular army while the latter chose Troop L, at Bellefonte. The other three young men from this place who have offered their services, and who have reported for mobilization are: William Bailey, with the Boal Machine Gun Troop; Henry Mitterling and Earl Lambert, in the Ambulance Corps, Troop L, Bellefonte.

August 9, 1917 . . . Save! Save! Save!!! is the cry of Food Administrator, Herbert Hoover. Save the wheat!—Use corn, oatmeal, rye or barley and non-wheat breakfast foods. Use stale bread for cooking, toast, etc. Save the meat! Beef, mutton or pork not more than once daily. Serve small portions. Save the fats! We are the world's greatest fat-wasters. Fat is food. Butter is essential for the growth and the health of children, but don't use it in cooking. Save the sugar! Sugar is scarcer. Today we use three times as much sugar as our Allies. Save the fuel! Coal comes from a distance and our railroads are overburdened hauling war materials. Use wood when available. Use the perishable foods. Fruits and vegetables we have in abundance. Preach the Gospel of the "Clean Plate."—Don't eat a fourth meal.

September 20, 1917 . . . Fifty eight of the 275,000 drafted men to go to Camp Meade passed through Centre Hall yesterday morning on the east-bound train. They represented Centre County's first unit to enter camp. Among the fifty-eight were John Whiteman and G. Alfred Crawford of Centre Hall.

At the Centre Hall station Elliott Smith and Ralph Rachau were obliged to leave their companions to await the going of the next unit. It was with tears in their eyes that the youths waved good-

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bye to their companions whom they had hoped to accompany. (The writer, having no available record of the many enlisted and drafted men from Centre Hall and vicinity, will make no attempt to enumerate same.)

October 11, 1917 . . . Beginning November 2nd, all first class postage must be paid at the rate of 3c per ounce, or fraction thereof, except "drop letters." Postal cards require 2c postage. This is a war-tax measure.

December 20, 1917 . . . The loans made by the United States to the governments at war with Germany are arranged by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and submitted to the President and made with his approval . . . The money we are advancing is not a contribution; it is a loan on which they will pay interest and which ultimately will be repaid in full. Our allies are looked upon by us as solvent people without ready money but with perfectly good credit.

September 14, 1917 . . . We, the Boal Machine Gun Troop, landed at Camp Hancock Thursday morning and immediately set to work, for there's much to do, before we start drilling. Camp is located right in the woods and many trees had to be felled before we could make room for our tents. Rumor (which plays a big part in any camp) has it that our regiment will not remain here very long owing to the wooded condition of the country.—William Bailey, Machine Gun Troop, First Penna. Cavalry, Augusta, Ga.

September 15, 1917 . . . "Ned" Keller writes from Fort Ogelthorpe.

To My Dearest Mother and All:

Due to the fact that there is at present a car strike on in Chattanooga, Tenn., I have been unable to receive any word whatever from home and being this far away, and not hearing from any of the home folks, is really harder on a fellow than doing without corn bread and molasses for a day, that being a big part of our meals morning, noon and night. No doubt you have wondered why I have directed you to address all the home news to Chattanooga, Tenn. That is the great railroad center nearest to this camp, so it is collected there and sent out here by a special mail train. The strike has been on over a week and as a result the boys are having some difficulty in getting into town and for that reason I am staying right here in camp over Sunday and will put in my time attending divine services in the morning, and "boning" up on Infantry Drill Regulations, and doing my weekly wash in the afternoon. The washing takes several hours of my leisure time

which is as limited as gold in our back yard, for it must be done in a wash basin. Nothing else allowed in camp and we simply have not time to do it during the week. One nice feature about it is that clothes dry in a very few minutes, due to the high altitude and intense heat of the sun.

We are starting on our fourth week of training just as the rainy season of the south is setting in and that means we get a heavy shower most every day. Could you be here to see us drilling thru it all you would not wonder at the blisters we get on our hands in trying to keep our clothes clean. This Georgia mud sure has its sticking qualities and I can readily get the significance of the phrase, "of the earth earthy." That's me! Honestly I never saw anything like this mud. "Squads prepare to rush, Halt! Drop and prepare to fire!" Imagine falling prone in it! Advancing on your stomach in it and then to avoid being "beaned" the command is given "keep your heads close to the ground." After a two hours drill of this I know you would never recognize me as your own son.

This afternoon we received our third and final shot in the arm and now I think I can stand anything from small pox to hives. I guess they are trying to make us bullet proof for this is the sixth time this summer that I have had that long needle thrust into my arm. The doctors say it is as necessary to have the paratyphus treatment when you are in the army as it is to have sewers, whooping cough or the income tax. For my part I don't quite agree with them.

The following is a schedule that we have been going by since the camp opened three weeks ago. At 5:15 a. m. is first call, by the bugler of course. From then until taps, at ten o'clock in the evening, there is an hour and ten minutes that we may call our own. At 5:30 there is assembly and every one of us must be in line with every particle of equipment properly adjusted for the day's work.

Mess at six. From then until 6:50 we have nothing to do but eat enough for three men, shave, finishing dressing; make up our bunk; police around it, tidy our belongings, get our rifle and line up with the company for say five hours drill. Of course the afternoons are not nearly so strenuous after the five hours of continuous drill in the morning. It consists merely of jumping in and out of trenches, prostrating ourselves flat on the ground and raising ourselves up and leaning over and touching our fingers to the ground an indefinite number of times. Several times a week they march us out to the rifle range and we spend the afternoon squinting along the barrel of a rifle, and having our ignominy shown to the world by flags that wave from the rifle pits and by unkind markers behind them. From 5:30 to 5:45 we have 15 minutes in which to take a bath, if we can get one, rub ourselves with liniment in various places and get tidied up for retreat at 5:45. Mess call is at six and at seven o'clock school call followed by tattoo at 9:30. During study period every one must be on his bunk and studying as we never did before. Cramming for my college examinations had nothing on

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this. The last call of all taps is at ten o'clock and then we have nothing to do till five o'clock next morning. I'm telling you that if this war lasts as long as the days seem long to us down here then we are going to have an awful long war ahead of us. That is our daily routine from Monday morning till Saturday noon and we are then free till taps Sunday night.

One of the prominent features of the training we as Cadets are getting here is that of being courteous; must at all times be on the alert, conduct ourselves in a military manner and present a neat, trim appearance as we expect to be among those to be commissioned officers at the close of the camp. Student officers must learn the custom of the service and observe them promptly at all occasions. Prompt military bearing, saluting, and standing at attention are parts of the military training requested by the regulations. To the undisciplined civilian mind, it may seem unnatural and even undemocratic for a cadet, for instance, to stand at attention while talking to an officer, but this is one of the customs of the service and one that tends strongly in the development of discipline. Even when away from the barracks or off duty, a correct military bearing must be maintained in heads up, eyes off the ground, shoulders square. Slovenliness in either clothing or in appearance will not be tolerated. In order that this may be remedied the Company Commanders must send those who are delinquent in this respect, under arms, to report at 4:30 p. m. daily except Saturday and Sundays, for one half hour's extra instruction. As yet I have not had to report to headquarters and I attribute it largely to the fact that you have never ceased to tell me to keep my shoulders back, and to sit straight. With such discipline and training do you wonder at Uncle Sam's ability to turn out officers at the end of three months intensive training?

Prepare for some cold and cruel words.

Most of the time last week was devoted to instruction in bayonet fighting and in this work we are very fortunate in having two French officers here to give us the fine points of the game. Each drill is preceded by a conference and they always start out by saying that the spirit of the bayonet must always be maintained. For instance, you must always go into those hand by hand combats to "kill or be killed." To get us keyed up to the proper pitch for what follows they yell out, "what do we clean our bayonets with," and the response from 5000 throats is, "Blood!" That is the psychology they use in the trenches at the present time previous to "going over the top" and making a dash over "no man's land", and though it sounds cruel, yet it is the language we hear every day and the effect it has on the men is seen in the recent success of the English and French bayonet charges. To the folks back home it may appear far fetched but could you have been here to hear the address of welcome which Colonel Slocum made to the entire regiment of 5000 cadets a few days after our arrival, in which he said that he was addressing the men who very shortly would be leading men on the battle fields of France, then you can realize how near this war is coming to our doors.

My fourth week in camp will be a memorable one, for the first six days will be devoted to the construction of fortifications and trench warfare; fourteen hours per day on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week will be used in the construction of trenches and obstacles. Beginning on Thursday morning, the entire command including the instructors, will occupy the trenches continuously until Saturday night. During the time while we are in the trenches, we will be given suitable instructions in attack and defense, use of hand and rifle grenades, gas

masks, instructions in sentry duty and trench orders, relieving of units, sanitation liasion, grenade screens etc. At all times when we are in trenches it will be assumed that we are actually confronting an enemy, and all movements in the trenches, carrying of supplies and food, will be based on this assumption.

This covers pretty well, I think, my first three weeks in the second training camp, and some time later I may give you a descriptive account of how we use the bayonet and hand grenade. In short it is "Shooting Germans at fifty yards," and jabbing "Dummy Huns" thru the heart." Did you ever dream of raising your boy for work like this? I think not.

I received your letters every day last week but none so far this week due to the train tie up.

Pray for me every day, and also tell my friends to write, for any news from the home folks is sure a balm for a soldier's wounds.

With love to all,

Your soldier boy, NED.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1917 . . . "We have attached to our regiment a band troop, which is something new in a cavalry regiment, and with music next door to our troop, it drives away all worry and homesickness. It is a crack band.

"Messrs. Mitterling, Garis and Lambert, all Centre Hall boys, are in our regiment, and it is a pleasure to meet these familiar faces daily as one goes about his duties.

"The Army Y. M. C. A. is getting busy for benfit and soon this great institution will be ready to look after the moral and spiritual welfare of the boys.

WILLIAM BAILEY

Private Marching Gun Troop, First Pennsylvania Cavalry

Sept. 23, 1917 . . . Dear Editor Reporter:

I had intended to give you a little line on my life in the trenches during the past week but time will not permit so I am enclosing a clipping which graphically describes a "battle" in which I took part.. It was REAL, I assure you. The 1st Battalion (Browns) went into the trenches Thursday morning and the 4th Battalion (Whites) were stationed back of the hills just in front of the first lines of trenches. You will notice that the main attack took place just as the camp I belong to came up on the firing line and of course I was in the midst of it all. We held the firing line until Monday and then we exchanged places with the 4th Battalion. The article was written on Friday morning and as a result they left out the best part of the whole battle. We worked ourselves up to the edge of the woods just bordering on the front of the trenches and about two o'clock we were given the command to fix bayonets and

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prepare to rush. All this time their snipers were picking our men off and when the command to go forward was given you should have seen the sight. 500 of us rushed forward in three waves intent on driving the enemy out of the trenches. We were using only blank shells but they were effective at 100 feet and as we advanced the boys in the trenches went plumb crazy and never did stop firing until we were right up on the parapet. This was enough to make any fellow fight and to come back at them we made straight for them with our bayonets. One poor ham fired point blank at me when I was but six feet from him and the contents of the shell struck the iron brace of my legging and glanced off.

That made me hot and I was intent on getting him with my bayonet but as I made the thrust some fellow brought the butt of his gun down on my head and he sure left a nice lump to remember the affair by. We all had blood in our eyes by that time and we never did stop at the first line but cleaned it out and then went on to the second line and had the boys on their knees begging us to stop. The boys were going to it so fierce that the officers had to call it off to avoid any more casualties. There are about three dozen of the boys in the hospital now with some pretty bad bruises and several gunshot wounds in their arms.

O, it is real, and I have no fear of going into battle now since going through that. That gives you a little idea of the spirit of the American youth and you can count on them giving a good account of themselves when they get over to France. Life in the trenches is awful and I can readily understand why man becomes mentally unbalanced after staying in for some time. We stood in the reserve trench all day expecting to be called to the firing line any minute and you can imagine the nervous strain we were under until the command to go forward was given. We were on duty from Thursday morning until Friday evening (36 hours) and during that time I had a little food Thursday noon and then nothing more until Friday noon at one o'clock, and this was just before we made the charge over "No-Man's Land." There was no sleeping, either.

The thing that made it almost unbearable was the fact that we had to carry our full packs (48 pounds) on our backs all the time.

It might be interesting to you to know that we constructed in three days the largest, most intricate and most complete trench system ever seen in America and on a par with any in France at the present time. This statement was made by the French officers who are here in camp acting as instructors. They say our boys in France now don't get more taste of the real thing than we do, so at that rate I know what to expect when I go across.

Rumors are afloat to the effect that we may be called to go overseas very shortly but you never can tell what will happen next.

With regards to all the home folks,

I am very truly,

W. NED KELLER

October 8, 1917 . . . The men of the division whose organizations are to be changed or transferred to other regiments in order to complete the war strength of same, are very much downhearted about the change and show great disappointment, although they must obey it. The change affects our troupe and on Wednesday we will be removed from the 1st Pa. Cavalry to regiment to the 3rd Company, 108th

Machine Gun Battalion, of the 55th Brigade. We feel sorry that we must leave this regiment, but we must go! Only two troops will leave the regiment, viz: the First City Troop of Philadelphia (known as the "millionaire troop") and our troop. What will happen to the First Pa. Cavalry regiment is not known. We are told that it is considered a unit of itself.

We are very busy and hardly a minute is allowed the soldier during the progress of the day's duties. We have been doing a great deal of hiking and this hiking is by no means a snap, as the people back home may think. Having a weight of forty or more pounds on our backs, and covering a given distance in a certain given time is by no means easy. It certainly builds the fellows up and we are gradually becoming used to the hardships.

When we move on Wednesday, we will have added to our Machine Gun Company eighty-one more men, thus making the quota of men enlisted, 172, and the officers 6. There will be one captain, two first lieutenants and three second lieutenants, who will take charge of their respective companies. Three Companies of Machine Gun will constitute a battalion, and will be known as the 108th Machine Gun Battalion of the 55th Brigade. There will be three Machine Gun Battalions, viz: the 108th, of which we are members; the 109th and the 110th; these Battalions together will constitute the 55th Machine Gun Brigade, which like all other Machine Gun units, is nick-named "Suicide Brigade" because of its deadly work.

We are getting new guns. Guns that we have never seen before, and we must go thru an entire new course in the schooling of this machine gun. These guns weigh 175 lbs. and are twice the guns for deadly work that the Lewis, which we have been using is, so we are told. A good gunner can fire 600 shots per minute, think of it, 10 shots per second. Imagine 16 guns in one company in action, the noise, the casualties, it's terrific. Statistical reports show that the average life of a machine gun man in action is only three days—that's all, but a gunner can do a lot of good work in three days. In action the machine guns are constantly changing their position; if not, the direct fire from the machine guns would cause the attention of the enemy and you can imagine what would next happen. The machine guns are the guns that are playing the deadly part in the present conflict, and there are few survivors after all is over. Even if we have three days to do the work in we are going to do a great deal and we are going to give them "h . . .," which is the sentiment that is expressed by each and every soldier down here.

In the change of our organization we consider ourselves fortunate in keeping our officers. Captain Leitzell still maintains his rank as captain of the new organization. To my mind he is capable of handling the job. He is great on military matters and takes a great interest in having his organization the best.

As it is drawing near time for me to get to other duties I must close, hoping that this brief letter finds all the folks in the best of health.

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Even if you didn't ask for it, we want to congratulate your community for its fine spirit of progressive co-operation.

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Private William Bailey

Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga.

October 18, 1917 . . . Editor Reporter: We are gradually getting to like this southern country better. The radical change struck us rather hard at first, but now we have become accustomed to the new conditions and order of things, with good results.

A camp incident which was quite out of the ordinary occurred a few days ago when three of our boys—Gerald Robinson, Walter Smith and Charles Scott—while out for a walk, mistook a strange tree and its fruit for what we term the “nigger toe” nut. They ate several and were poisoned as a result. The fellows were taken to the base hospital where they were treated and now have fully recovered.

A word about our Y. M. C. A. It is doing a great work among the boys, and by way of entertainment we are treated to lots of music, movies and vaudeville.

Private John W. Garis

Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga.

October 25, 1917 . . . Editor Reporter: I have not been sick since I last wrote to you which is due to the fact that I have become hardened to the rigors of army life.

At the present time I am in the branch of service called the Military Police. The life of a military policeman is not a “bed of ease”. I will endeavor to give it to you, in a very brief way, some of the duties which are divided into three classes: exterior, interior, and train guarding.

Exterior is guarding all entrances into camp. This consists of halting all automobiles, vehicles and persons; searching for contraband of war, and liquor; and looking for passes, which entitles the owner to enter, except government cars and days specified for people to see the camp; these days being Wednesday afternoon, Saturday afternoon, and all day Sunday, of each week; the remaining days visitors are not allowed to enter unless on official business.

Interior guarding consists of guarding barracks, post office, canteens, main hospital, streets, prisoners of war, filtration plant, pumping stations, bridges, and everything of great importance in the interior that belongs to the government.

Train guarding consists of preserving order, keeping the men off platforms, searching for liquor, and seeing that they get off and on at the right place and at the right time. This includes all working men employed by the government, who run from Baltimore to Camp Meade.

Some tricks last twelve hours, some twenty-four, and others, forty-eight. That means the time on duty.

As guards we are compelled to take life where an order to halt is ignored. The orders are to call “halt” once, and if there is no response fire to kill. No sentinel will allow anyone to escape. If he does the sentinel himself faces a lengthy term of imprisonment.

Since it will soon be mess time, I must close for this time.

Yours truly,

Private Geo. A. Crawford,
Co. L, 314th Regiment,
Camp Meade, Md.

November 15, 1917 . . . Centre Hall's oldest Red Cross worker is Mrs. Isabel Kerstetter, who makes her home with her nephew, E. W. Crawford. Mrs. Kerstetter is past eighty years of age, and is knitting her fourth piece of work for the soldier boys. She is doing it all without the aid of glasses, too.

January 13, 1918 . . . The following is a portion of a letter received from Boyd Smith by his father Emanuel Smith, of Potter's Mills, which will be of interest to many of the Reporter readers. The letter bears the date of November 27.

Your letter was certainly appreciated and was the first mail received since my arrival in France a month ago. It is beginning to seem like home; we have our bunk-houses up and eat at tables. The food is good and the supply sufficient. On Thanksgiving we are to have turkey and geese served us. That is not so bad for being in the land of war and famine.

You asked me where we were located but I cannot give the location, except to say that we are about forty miles from the front. Some of the boys go to (name of city or town erased by censor). I expect to see some of the sights and buy some relics when I get my furlough.

You asked in your letter what I had to do. Well, all I have to do is to get out of bed at 5:50; breakfast, after that we stand reville, then go to work on the road till noon; dinner, go to work at one o'clock and quit at 5:30, supper. In other words, we sleep, eat and work. I can work and sing now, so you see I have improved in spirit since my last letter to you.

I took out a \$5,000 life insurance policy in your favor.

We are well above the sea-level here, and the climate is much like that at home. We have had plenty of rain and about one inch of snow, but I don't believe it is quite as cold here as at home, so it is just cold enough to work.

Your son,

Boyd Smith,
Co. D, 10th Engineers Forest Regt.,
American Expeditionary Force, France

January 3, 1918 . . . Editor Reporter: My first week in the National Army proved very interesting. So far I have had the occasion to act in the capacity of drill master, insurance agent, physical director, school teacher, lecturer, Bible Class teacher and a big brother for the men, and a great life it is. Yesterday I was out for holly and mistletoe, and

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while in the woods I picked a quart of nice huckleberries for evening mess.

Am awfully busy but like the work. With best wishes, I am

Yours,

Ned Keller
Co. F, 323rd Infantry,
Camp Jackson, S. C.

January 22, 1918 . . . The following letter from France was recently received by W. O. Rearick, of Milroy, from his youngest son, Miles, a Centre Hall boy, and will be read with interest by many Reporter readers:

Dear Father: I have been moved about 150 miles from our former location, but continue addressing my mail as heretofore, for I hardly know if I will be here permanently or not.

We are assembling trucks and when we get this lot assembled we may go back to where we were. They are Garford trucks of ton and a half capacity, and are good machines.

We are quartered at a hotel—12 francs a day, which is equal to about \$2.31. We sleep on feathers one and one-half feet thick. I can't say much for the food, but suppose after I get accustomed to it I will be leaving.

I have not received any mail yet, and am getting rather anxious to hear from you; but I am in good hopes.

I made an allotment of \$15 per month to be sent to you. I don't know if it will start this month or next.

I met Roy Puff, from Centre Hall, last night. He told me young Shoop from Reedsville was in his company. I shall try to locate him.

I am well and sleep fine in "bon lit de plumes" (good feather beds.)

Bon Nuit (good night)
Votre fils (your son)

Miles

February 14, 1918 . . . The patriotic concert, given by local talent in the Grange Hall proved a decided success from every standpoint. The hall was filled to its capacity and \$70 net receipts were divided 50-50 with the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. for war needs.

A full two hours entertainment was furnished. Misses Miriam Foss, Agnes Geary, Verna Rowe, and Lillian Emery, in the order named, took their places on the stage and their selections appealed to the entire gamut of human emotions, little Miss Foss bringing forth tears in her "God Save Our Men", while Miss Lillian Emery convulsed her hearers with "Aunt Kuturia's First Visit to the City". Miss Agnes Geary very beautifully rendered "That Old Jay", while Miss Verna Rowe delighted the audience with "The Old man and Jim". Each responded with an encore possessing patriotic sentiment.

Aside from taking his part in the choruses, William Kerlin delighted the audience with his rendition of the solo, "The Homeland". He also delivered the only monologues of the evening, "Uncle Josh Buys An Automobile", and "Cohen at the Telephone".

Miss Rebecca Kreamer, who so ably took part at the piano during the evening's entertainment, rendered several difficult instrumental selections which added to her already enviable reputation as a pianist.

Rendition of that always favorite, "We're Tenting Tonight On the Old Camp Ground", by the entire group, amid a natural camp setting, - stacked guns, camp fire, etc. was delightfully impressive.

Members of the male octet were: First tenors: Rev. R. R. Jones, F. P. Geary; Second tenors: Rev. J. Still, G. H. Emerick; First basses: E. W. Crawford, C. W. Boozer; Second basses: Wm. W. Kerlin, Edw. E. Bailey.

April 25, 1918 . . . Editor Reporter: I take the liberty of addressing this letter to you, to show how the soldier from your home feels about the Third Liberty Loan. If you have bought or will buy one fifty dollar bond, I will receive:

- 1 Trench Knife,
- 5 Rifle Grenades
- 14 Hand Grenades

One one-hundred dollar bond will clothe me or feed me eight months. One one-hundred dollar and one fifty dollar bond will clothe me and keep me in France for a year. Some subscriber to the Liberty Loan may know that he made the above possible; why not let it be you? If you have purchased to your greatest possible extent pass this on to someone else. Everyone of us needs someone behind providing the money and the tools.

I'm going across; you "come across".

Yours very truly,
Private Geo. A. Crawford,
Camp Meade, Md.

RED CROSS WELL OVER THE TOP

June 6, 1918 . . . The quota for Centre Hall and Potted township for the Red Cross was \$500; the amount contributed was \$902.25, which put the district "over the top" with \$402 to spare. It was comparatively an easy proposition for the canvassers,

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The good are half bad and the bad are half good.
Not the rich or the poor, for to count a man's wealth
You must first know the state of his conscience and health,
Not the happy or sad, for the swift flying years
Brings to each man his laughter and to each man his tears,
No: the two kinds of people on earth that I mean
Are the people who lift and the people who lean,
And wher'er you go, you'll find the world's masses
Are always divided into these two classes,
And, oddly enough, you'll find, also I ween
There's only one lifter, to twenty who lean!
In which class are you? Are you easing the load
Of over-taxed lifters who toil down the road,
Or are you a leaner, who makes others bear
YOUR part of the labor, and worry and care?

June 20, 1918 . . . Following food regulations, effective immediately, will govern the serving of beef and beef products in all hotels, restaurants and public eating places:

ROAST BEEF: Whether hot or cold, should be served only on Mondays, at midday meals.

STEAKS, BOILS, or BEEF HASH: Only on Wednesdays and Saturdays, midday meals.

STEWES in any form, **HAMBURGER STEAKS:** Tuesdays only at midday meals. By-products of beef such as ox tails, livers, tongues, sweet breads, hearts, kidneys, brain and tripe may be served at any time.

Every patriotic public eating place is expected to comply at once. W. Fred Reynolds, Food Administrator for Centre Co.

July 11, 1918 . . . Being limited to space we are forced to confine these lines of "America Is At War" almost exclusively to items directly concerning Centre Hall and Potter Township. The following, however, is an exception and, after you have read the lines, we know you will agree that it is most deserving of space:

On Mother's Day, May 12, 1918, Sergeant Leslie D. Noll, located at Presidio of Monterey, California, with Troop H, 301st Cavalry, has written a letter to his mother Mrs. W. T. Noll, of Linden Hall. The letter closed with these lines:

He was on the line in Flanders, doing service with a flag
 He was "telephone and wireless" with that little bit of rag;
 At the farthest point from safety he was standing at that post,
 Picking up the information that the captain needed most,
 When a flash behind the trenches caught his ever watchful eye,
 And he stood and read the message that came flashing
 through the sky.

He wondered what was coming from that fellow-Signal Man,
 Wondered what would be the orders as the lettering began;
 He had done his trick of duty; he had been there through
 the day;
 He was tired, he was hungry, and he longed to get away,
 But he read the rapid waving; 'twas the news he wanted most,
 "There's a letter from your mother waiting for you at the
 post."

Over miles of dreary trenches, over friendly gun and foe,
 Came each cheerful flashing letter of the news he wished to
 know;
 Came this little touch of kindness, and this simple note of cheer.
 Not a stern command of duty, but the words of which to
 boast;

"There's a letter from your mother waiting for you at the post"
 "There's a letter from your mother," can you picture now
 the joy
 That went dancing through the shell-fire to that lonely signal
 boy?

Oh, I don't know how to say it, but somehow it seems to me,
 That in hearts so fine as they are, lie the seeds of victory,
 Hate and lust will never triumph over boys who proudly
 boast:

"There's a letter from your mother waiting for you at the post"

July 18, 1918 . . . From a French Port . . . Well, here I am, many
 miles from the States, but feel perfectly at home as the French
 people receive us Americans with open arms. The trip across was quite
 an adventurous one but, of course you understand I am not allowed
 to write in detail as to what happened. We experienced some rough
 weather on this, my first trip across, and the sight of land was a treat
 for my eyes which had become sore, so to speak, after being out on the
 sea for so long a time. The Y. M. C. A. is doing wonderful work, and is
 certainly appreciated. Since there's so little I am permitted to say, will
 close with kindest regards to all.

One of Uncle Sam's Sailor Boys, Otto Bailey

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NEW FUEL REGULATIONS . . . "Lightless Nights" Order Affecting Whole Country.

Effective July 24, 1918 the use of light generated or produced by the use or consumption of coal, gas, oil or other fuel for illumination or display of advertisements, announcements or signs, or for the external ornamentation of any building, will be discontinued entirely on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week throughout the remainder of the United States. - Harry Keller, Chairman Centre County Fuel Committee.

June 25, 1918 . . . One more star - three in all - has been added to the service flag displayed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Byron W. Garis in Centre Hall. John is in France, William in the Coast Artillery, and Herbert left Monday with Centre County's latest contingent to Camp Lee, Virginia.

Clayton E. Homan, one of Uncle Sam's enlisted men, has been sent to Buffalo, by the federal government, to inspect motor trucks as they are turned out for the government's use by the Pierce-Arrow Company. "Bud", as he is familiarly known in Centre Hall is a genius for things mechanical, resulting in his securing a good position with Uncle Sam and his many friends extend congratulations.

August 15, 1918 . . . All retailers failing to send weekly customers sugar sales record slips to this office will have their claims for additional sugar disregarded. The volunteer ration system limits each customer to one-half pound sugar per week. W. Fred Reynolds, Federal Food Administrator for Centre County.

As a result of conferences held by Mr. Herbert Hoover, national food administrator and administrators of Great Britain and France, a definite increase in wheat acreage in the United States is required. The quota set for Centre County is 2,000 acres. Just as we have had our Liberty Bond and War Saving Stamp quotas to meet, so now do we have our wheat quotas to fill. - R. H. Olmstead, County Agent.

Lieut. J. Austin Robison, a former Centre Hall lad, is recovering in a hospital in France from shrapnel wounds. Lieut. Robison left Bellefonte as a member of Troop L.

BRUCE STUMP A HERO

August 29, 1918 . . . A story of wonderful courage and bravery has just reached the ears of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stump, west of Centre Hall, and it has resulted in dispelling the fears which this father and mother have held for the safety of their son, Bruce Stump, who since May has been in France and for some time has been engaged in the heaviest fighting of the present Allied offensive.

The news which the parents received a week or more ago from Washington was that Bruce was "missing in action". The message was dated "France, July 28th". On Monday of this week came the more cheerful news from a grateful wife in Altoona, whose husband was saved from death through the heroic efforts of a comrade. The writer was Mrs. Eugene Clark and in the tenderest words she expressed her thanks to the mother of the boy who risked his life that his comrade might live. The letter written home by Sergeant Clark is as follows:

"Of course you all know I was wounded, and today it is five days since I was admitted to this hospital. On the morning of July 29, we were in the fight at Chateau-Thierry front, where we had been since July 15. We were called to proceed on a surprise attack in the woods where we had machine gun snipers to contend with and a machine gun ball struck my right calf, passing through and hitting the left ankle where it came out.

"We were ordered to retire 200 yards and Bruce Stump of Centre Hall came along and said, "I am going back but there is one man going with me or I won't go." He and Bill Keller, another Company G boy, and a runner, picked me up and ran more than 150 yards over a field swept by machine gun bullets and then carried me four miles to a first aid station, through high explosives, and from there I came on to an American Hospital, on the outskirts of Paris.

"I am getting along fine and believe me, Dad, I owe the Boches something I didn't before, so just wait."

The letter was written August 4.

The most significant feature of this officer's letter is the date he gives of the fight in which Bruce Stump took part. It is "July 29", one day after the date of his reported "missing in action". It is this which has given the parents a ray of hope and they are anxiously awaiting news from their boy telling of his safety.

Bruce Stump is a member of Company G, 110th Infantry, and he has proven himself a hero of the highest type.

August 29, 1918 . . . The 69 conscripted men, who formed Centre county's latest quota, left over the L. & T. railroad Monday morning for Sunbury where a special train took them through to Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. The only representative of Centre Hall proper was W. W. Kerlin, and he was honored by Sheriff Yarnell by being given a first lieutenantcy in the body of men on the way to the training camp. The boys from Potter township who left were: Harry

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September 14, 1918 . . . Am seated in the Y. M. C. A. Big Hut, awaiting the evening's performance. This is an immense building, and is very near our barracks.

Just as I wrote the above we were informed there would be no performance in the "Y", K. of C. or Liberty Theatres for one week as the camp had been quarantined on account of measles. Some blue boys tonight—all dressed up and nowhere to go. Wish you could see this camp; it is a perfect city.

Today we took our gas test. Were driven through a building (with masks on and off) filled with gas. Were also rushed through several hundred feet of trenches filled with deadly gas. We were required to crawl in bottom of trench, remove our masks and "smell" for gas. Two full breaths would render one unconscious and burn the lining of the lungs. We all got through in first-class condition. I am qualified and registered, being able to remove the mask from the satchel, place over face, adjust the mouth and nose pieces within six seconds. All the Centre Hall boys in this camp are registered. We breathe through the mouth entirely. The tube from the mouth leads from a canister containing chemicals which purify the air. Have had our rifles about a week and we expect to go to the range next week. Believe me, they are putting us through in quick time. Several thousand men left for France this evening. They were fully equipped with over-sea clothes and looked fine. They were a happy bunch of boys; had been here about six weeks.

This afternoon was our first athletic meet and Co. E was champion with a per cent of 1,000. Fully 80 per cent of those taking part for Co. E were from Centre County. We defeated Co. D, G and H, then played the best (H) of the three. The games were tug of war and cany all. I enjoy camp life very much and it is a great pleasure to arise every morning at 5:30 and rush into your clothes, grab your belt, bayonet and rifle and get down in time for reveille. After reveille comes a rush for mess kits and over to the mess hall. Then comes a rush to wash the kits, get on our packs, gas masks (packed away in the satchel), belts, bayonets and rifle, and fall in for drill until noon. Then it is rush again; in fact, the army is one big rush after another.

In the "Big Y Hut" they have a large map, about 20 ft. x 20 ft., of the fighting area made of wood and highly colored. This map changes every day, showing the exact changes on the battle lines. It is very interesting and instructive. It is growing quite late and I'll have to close.

W. W. Kerlin,
Camp Lee, Va.

August 25, 1918 . . . To My Dearest Mother: Almost a month has passed since I left the good old U. S. A. and all my loved ones, but I hope not many more days will pass until I shall get the first news from home.

It seems years since I left you, mother, and though I am enjoying every minute of my time yet many, many times do I think of you and most of the time I picture my return to the States and then I know that the years thereafter will be crammed full with 365 days of supreme happiness for you and myself.

This is only the third bit of news from me since I started over seas. The first letter was written on board ship and then I sent you a

card stating that I had arrived overseas safely. The card should have reached you first. We were on the water about 12 days and no sooner had we set foot on English soil when the American Red Cross was on to see that we had something to eat. They soon had everyone feeling fine and anxious for the trip by rail across England. It was most inspiring to witness the welcome we received at their hands and especially did the thrills go through us and tears came to our eyes as we sailed into port of a foreign country surrounded by a flotilla of submarine chasers and overhead were the waterplanes ready to detect any "sub" that ventured too near.

The trip across England was great and some wonderful farming country along the route. It was quite unique from the fact that the cars we rode in were so different from the cars in the States. They are made up of small compartments that hold but eight people and when you get in the cars you cannot get out until the guard comes along and opens the door for you. The engines are only half as large as the ones over home but when it comes to speeding, they can hold their own with any in the States. We made the trip across England on the average of 50 miles per hour. All along the way were coffee stations where we could get the men off and give them all the coffee they could drink. Needless to say it had very little sugar in it and it did not take us long to realize how pinched England is with regards to the food situation. From the port of debarkation we went direct to a rest camp and remained there a few days but only long enough to allow the men to get rid of their so-called sea legs. From the rest camp we hiked about 10 miles to a port of embarkation and shortly after that we were on our way to France. This time we were only on board ship for a day and a night and never shall I forget the sensations we had when we entered the harbor prior to landing in France. This was Aug. 15th, just one year after I left Fort Niagara at the close of the first officer's training camp.

Thousands of French soldiers and peasants were on hand to welcome us and I was quite proud of the fact that I could be there when I could help redeem bleeding France from the awful Hun. From the port we marched through a French city of possibly 40,000 inhabitants. While resting along one of their main streets we were told that 90 per cent of the male inhabitants between the ages of 20 and 40 of that city were killed during the four years of war. We debarked about three o'clock in the afternoon, and after marching through the city and out through the outskirts we came to another rest camp.

Lieut. Ned Keller in France

September 1, 1918 . . . Dearest Loved Ones at Home: Words cannot express the sacredness of this Sabbath day. First let me tell you with joy abounding in my heart that I received my first news from home this morning. News came to our village last night that there was some mail at Headquarters for the regiment and one of the men volunteered to hike about seven miles so that we might get our much-coveted home news today. The news rejuvenated us really as much as though we had heard that the war was over. Well, when I came to Co. Headquarters

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I was happy to find a letter from mother and also your first letter to me after my short visit from Camp Mills. It is needless to say that I was a happy boy after reading both the letters and I hope to live long enough to get back home so that I can really tell you how much it did to me. After reading them over several times I went to the drill field where services were being held by our regimental Chaplain. It was the first service I was able to attend in a month and I can assure you that a silent prayer was said for you, mother. We were out in the open and so confident were we of our cause that we had no fear of hostile aircraft and never once did I look up to see if any were in sight. After the services I was invited to take dinner with the officers of the regiment and from there the Co. F officers assembled in the orderly room and settled up the company's accounts for the month. After the meeting I went to the drill field again where we had a ball game in good old American style. All the French people of the town were out to see it but from all indications it did not interest them very much. After the game I came back to the town where I am billeted and after standing retreat and eating supper I started to write this. Thus did I spend the day long to be remembered from the fact that it was just a month since I left home and also the day I received my first home news.

I shall now start in where I left off last Sunday, when I attempted to write for the first time after landing in France. Our time is so taken up with the intensive training we are getting that our spare moments are few, and then the accommodations are far from what they are over home. Before going any further I must tell you of our first night in France. While traveling through England we were only getting one-third rations, that is one-third of what we got in the States and everywhere we saw children slowly starving to death. It was pretty bad at times but we managed to get a bit somehow and every one realized that we were nearing the war zone. That was the biggest problem we had to solve enroute. But after landing in France and hiking to our rest camp we were first brought face to face with the real thing, for while every one was peacefully sleeping that night about 2 o'clock the signal was given that an enemy raid was about to take place. On being awakened we heard the bells ringing and heavy guns being fired and we had to make a hasty dress and get the company formed so as to move them out of the camp which was the target for the boches' planes. Every one was dead tired but we managed to get the men out of danger before the enemy could do any damage. We left there the next day and moved up toward the front by rail. This proved quite novel yet very inconvenient, for the men were packed into cars and were handled as we would handle cattle in the States. After traveling all day and night in this manner we finally arrived at our destination. At present the regiment is scattered all over the country for we are now quartered in French villages and only about two or three companies to a village. At present I am not quartered with F Co., for I have my first platoon quartered in a little village all to myself and wish you could be here to see us.

These villages are very quaint and one would say that they are at least a hundred years behind us in most everything. The buildings are all made of stone and have nothing but stone floors.

The barns, sheds and houses are all under one roof which as a rule is made of straw, and they don't believe in separating their stock from the family, for where the room is big you will find the cows, donkeys, rabbits and chickens all in the living room. Most all of the French peasants eat, sleep and live in this one room and the barn yard extends right up to the front door.

My men are quartered in barns, sheds and lofts that were not being used by the peasants, and as a rule are faring very well. They have straw to sleep on and most of them have their quarters looking quite homelike. I had a terrible time at first to make them understand what I wanted and it was quite amusing to see the gestures I was compelled to go through in order to get something to eat. For instance, when I wanted some eggs I was compelled to place my fingers in the shape of an egg and then cackle like a hen, and when I wanted milk I had to go through the motion of milking a cow and then moo like one. Their mode of travel is mostly done with a donkey and a two-wheeled cart. About the second day I was there I wanted to hire one so I jumped between the shafts and then brayed like the donkey and pointed toward the town I wanted to go to. It only took me a few days before I did away with the sign language and now we get along very nicely. While I have not acquired a very large French vocabulary yet I always get what I go after—le vin (wine) included. I know a few other words but will save them for the next time. It's true that they never use water for anything except to wash and never do they sit down to the table without a bottle of wine to be used instead of water. Up to this time I have limited myself to light wines but give me water every time.

At present everything is drying up in this part of the country for they have not had rain in four months and wells are going dry and the crops are drying up at a terrible rate. Most of the villages are made up of 40 or 50 people, all of which are old men, women and children. All able-bodied men are at the front and it is pitiful to see women seventy years old working in the harvest fields. I am staying with an old lady seventy years old, named Madame Victoria Giglech; she is a card. Every day she goes out in the fields with a sack on her back, and comes back with it filled with straw and dead wood she finds along the way. She is only four feet in height and always wants to be doing something for me. I surely would love to have a picture of her to send to you. They all wear wooden shoes and they are made for service, too. At present I am eating with the men and except for the first few days we have been eating in a big barn yard. That may sound strange but it's the gospel truth. I will mail this in the morning and I hope it will not take a month to reach you. I think we will continue to get our mail regularly now since our Division is getting concentrated, and I hope to hear from you every few days. Our time is so limited that last Sunday was the first time I could find time to write since being here.

We start to Asiel early in the morning and it is always late when we get back to our billets in the evening and then it is only occasionally that we can manage to get a candle to light us to bed. Since landing in France I have seen two automobiles outside of the army trucks, so you can imagine how scarce gasoline is over here. Please write often for though I cannot write I often think of you and many times do I wish I could see you. While we are at present in a reserve position, yet before

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very long we will be moving up to the front to take part in the great fall offensive.

Kind regards to all the friends; will close with love.

Your soldier boy,

NED (Lieut. Keller)

September 12, 1918 . . . Today is registration day! - The roster of men, within the first registration, has been depleted. All males between the ages of 18 and 45, inclusive and it is estimated Pennsylvania will have 1,078,692 registrants. Place for registering in this district is the Old Fort Hotel and the registrars are: Chas. D. Bartholomew, Robert D. Foreman and Chas. W. Slack.

A letter was received by Mrs. Park (formerly Miss Blanche Boal, daughter of Capt. G. M. Boal, of Centre Hall) states that her husband, Lieutenant (Dr.) William E. Park had been gassed while working in an emergency hospital, a gas shell having burst a few feet from him. He was badly burned on the face and eyes. A very large percentage of the regiment with which he was connected was killed or wounded. Dr. Park practiced medicine in Centre Hall from 1901 to 1910.

There were fewer cars seen on the road Sunday than on the first Sunday of the government's request for "Gasless Sundays". Only in matters of emergency will patriotic citizens fail to heed.

It's now 1 to 4 . . . Retail dealers are required to sell one pound of substitute with each four pounds of flour. Following may be sold as substitutes: Corn flour, barley flour, corn meal, rice flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, buckwheat flour, oat flour, bean flour, milo flour, kaffir flour and Feterita flour. - W. Fred Reynolds, Food Administrator for Centre County.

October 3, 1918 . . . The 118 boys from Centre county who were to have gone to Camp Lee, Va., the week of Oct. 7th, will not depart until the epidemic of Spanish influenza is fully eradicated. The local board of Centre county was notified of the cancelling of the call the latter part of last week.

We take the liberty to make a departure from our editorial policy of omitting death notices from this work. The influenza epidemic has been recognized as a result of war, hence those of our citizens who have died of this dread disease are rightfully, though indirectly, victims of the war. We feel that these notices should be included in "AMERICA IS AT WAR"

October 10, 1918 . . . George Boal Boozer is dead . . . He fell a victim of pneumonia, resulting from an attack of Spanish influenza, the disease which with deadly effect grips the country at the present time.

George first became ill the latter part of week before last while attending the Pennsylvania State College, where he had enrolled in the freshman year as an electrical engineer student. He was a member of the Students' Army Training Corps, and as such was in the service of his country.

George Boal Boozer was a son of David A. and Martha Boal Boozer and was born in Centre Hall, Feb. 22nd, 1899.

October 17, 1918 . . . A telegram received by Miss Virgie Young, at Centre Hall, on Friday, announced the death, Wm. Rowe Young, at Camp Greenleaf, Ga. The young man died that day from the effects of Spanish Influenza, the dread disease claiming him after less than a week's illness.

Rowe Young was a son of David S. and Mary Royer Young and was born near Tusseyville. He was aged 21 years and 7 months.

October 17, 1918 . . . Wednesday evening of last week a telegram addressed to Mrs. Elizabeth Mitterling was received at Centre Hall from "Harris, Acting Adjutant General", at Washington, conveying the information that W. Henry Mitterling was wounded in action. His wounds were sustained on Sept. 6th. On Monday Cleveland Mitterling received a letter from Baltimore, Md. where his mother is now located, telling of having received a letter from the soldier boy in France. The wounds referred to were the result of having been gassed by the Germans. Henry's entire company figured in the "gassing" and he sustained burns about the eyes and other parts of the body, necessitating his removal to a hospital. He reports his condition as being especially favorable.

Henry Mitterling volunteered for service in the ambulance corps of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry and went to Camp Hancock with Troop L, Sept. 11th, 1917. He has been in France since May.

October 14, 1918 . . . Spanish influenza has taken a first-class hold on Camp Lee and it got me by the neck Sept. 29th and today is the first that I have been strong enough to wear my uniform. This disease is a real one and I would not even wish it to a German soldier.

Eight of our Company have died, several of them my best "pals"—all good, clean fellows. Five more sick men have been brought here from the barracks today. None of them are in a serious condition. I believe the epidemic is being checked; I certainly hope it has.

Have been advised that 48 of our Company have left for over-seas. It makes one feel like jumping out the hospital window after them. Every week we see thousands of men in full "over-sea" attire leaving for Newport News, enroute to France. They are a jolly lot of boys and we all envy them.

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I was just now issued my identification tag—a lead piece a little larger than a quarter, to be worn on a ribbon around the neck. It contains my name and number—4091401. I feel perfectly safe now as it is against the law to shoot a dog wearing a license tag.

It is almost time for mess (supper) so will close the faucet on my pen for this time.

Private W. W. Kerlin,
Co. E, 20th Bn., Inf.,
Tr. & Repl. Camp,
Camp Lee, Va.

September 7, 1918 . . . Dearest Mother O' Mine: This being a day of rest I shall take time to keep you informed as to how I am getting along since I landed in France . . .

I shall tell you first of all that we have come to a great country with a wonderful history, with a splendid record of which the French people have just reason to be proud. They are worthy of our respect and of our admiration. My first impressions of the French people have changed since being with them a few weeks. After landing at one of the largest ports in France, we traveled across country in trucks and cattle cars. We drove over roads in peace times the best in the world—now much injured by heavy travel and lack of repair. We passed among fields which for almost four years have been cultivated by the willing arms of the women, the children and the old men. We went through villages where houses are closed forever, fathers and sons having been killed at the front. We met aged men who have lost their sons, women who have lost their husbands and young girls who have lost their sweet-hearts. All the joy for these people has gone out of life. Their valor remains.

In some places the houses, the trees, the ground itself, have been shattered and hopelessly wrecked by the cannon of the enemy. The trees have often been deliberately cut down to the roots. Thus as we passed through we could not judge what France used to be. We can only touch her desolate soul which we have come to help restore.

For the time we are being quartered in a little village not so many miles from the front lines, and as we continue our daily intensive training, we can hear the big guns day and night. Any time we look up we can see the aeroplanes in large numbers circling over our heads. In fact we go about our work without giving them much notice, for they soon become commonplace around here.

Our drill schedule keeps us very busy from early morning till late at night and when we are not on the drill field we are attending night school for officers. Every evening we assemble at a little school house and for a time our thoughts are of home for just before school opens we gather around a large wall map of the world and try to point out to each other just where the garden spot of the world really is.

I have had very little time to devote to the study of French but it is surprising to note how well one can get along with these people and still not speak their language. I am billeted in a little village about a mile from the rest of the company and it was necessary for me to secure quarters and food for my platoon, on our arrival. Well, it was really funny to hear them all talk at once and all I could say was "wee-

wee" which means "yes". I was very much impressed with the fact that the French people sleep with their windows shut and very generally have no running water in their houses.

I am staying with a little French woman who is seventy years young, and it's marvelous to see how she lives. Every morning she starts out to the grain fields with a large basket on her back and for hours she roams over the hills picking up wheat and oats heads and by noon she has her basket filled partly with grain and any little bit of dead wood she can find on her way home. About once a week she takes a mallet and pounds the grain from the straw and thus manages to get feed for her rabbits and chickens. She has no stove but cooks what little bit of food she eats in an open fire place. In four weeks she has only made fire two or three times, so saving are they with the wood. Her winter fuel is made up of many small bundles of dead pine boughs she has gathered during the summer and placed in the barn. Many times as I come home from night school, she is standing by the door way eating her supper of perhaps a small piece of dry bread or a bowl of bread and milk.

So far it has been very difficult to secure any daily papers and of course we hear very little what is actually going on at the front. Since leaving the States I have only seen one or two papers and we are willing to pay most any price to get one in our possession. The Reporter or even a North American would certainly look good to me.

The French peasants very seldom ever go out of their own villages and very few papers come in and so they convey the news by having a drummer go through the streets beating a drum, and after the people all gather in the public square the mayor who happened to get the news will convey it to the public.

Every little village has its church but for many years they have not been used for worship. The corner stones indicate that they are from four to six hundred years old, and we have been told that some haven't been used for a hundred and fifty years. The peasants do not regard Sunday as a rest day but go on with their work just the same, and it's remarkable how they are able to work so hard seven days in the week.

For three weeks after we arrived in France it had not rained and everything was suffering very much; even the wells were practically all dry. I think that accounts for the fact that I have never seen a French peasant take a drink of water since we landed here. They have their wine three times a day. I usually get all the milk I want and it's quite reasonable, only six sous (six cents) a quart. The milk wagons in the small towns and villages consist of driving several goats and cows through the street and milking the milk right into your bucket or cup; no middle man here—produce direct to the consumer.

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I visited a famous old chateau the other day; the owner, a well-known French Countess, was certainly kind to us. There were three of us officers. The caretaker told us to enter the gate and be seated on some rustic benches under a wonderful arbor; that the countess was always delighted to see Americans. Presently she came out and we were glad to find her a very pretty young woman of about thirty. She looked just like an American girl and spoke beautiful English with that delightful French accent. She served us tea and cakes, and then personally conducted us through the grounds, several miles of them. Her husband and two brothers are at the front, but she hasn't heard from them in a long time and doesn't even know if they are alive or not, and yet she was as cheerful as could be and always smiling. Such is the spirit of the French people. They look sad and their faces show signs of mental suffering; but when you speak to them they brighten up and always a cheery word for you. Too bad the majority of our people are not that way.

September 18, 1918 . . . Never had time to finish your letter for we were ordered to make a hasty move toward the front and had to put my writing aside until convenient to write again. Since then we have moved up and are now located but a short distance from the salient which was held by the Germans for four years, but now taken over by the Americans. The country here is very rolling and wonderful to carry on modern warfare. Occasionally we have an air raid but we always make it so warm for the raiders that they hesitate about coming within range of our automatic rifles, which are always ready for them. Only yesterday as a troop train pulled into the station one of the Hun planes swept down from behind a cloud and before any one saw him he flew up along one side of the train and circled around the engine and then down the other side, all the time pouring a stream of bullets into the moving train. All this happened in the early morning and sad to say he got away without being damaged.

It takes the French people a long time to express an idea where we can express it in a very few words. As an illustration of this I will tell you of a recent lecture given by a French Captain to a group of Yanks. The subject chosen was: "An attack by assault from the trenches". The Captain developed his theme with logic and precision and with picturesque and moving touches of imagination and reality which made the scene very living. He spoke for over half an hour. When he finished, the especially appointed American interpreter was called upon: He said: "Say, fellows, when this stunt is pulled off you want first to crawl like snails, and then when the officer hollers you want to run forward like H---!" The French Captain gazed at him, waiting to see if that was all. Then amazed, he cried out, "What a marvelous language".

Will close with love to you and all the home folks. I am feeling fine and getting along nicely.

Your soldier boy in France,
NED (Lieut. W. N. Keller)

Camp Lee, Va., October 22, 1918

I was in Camp Hospital two weeks with the "flu" and then I cut my hand, bleeding about a quart before I got it stopped. Having all kinds of hard luck down here.

Hope this finds all well. - Max Herr.

November 7, 1918 . . . A start has already been made for the Y. M. C. A. and Red Cross drive. Centre County aims to raise

\$41,000.00. The very best reasons for you giving support is found in the following words from our local boys who are serving their country in France.

"The Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. are certainly doing a splendid work. I hardly know how we could get along without them and yet there are a few in every community who refuse to give. My only wish for them is that they could really see these organizations at work." - D. Ross Bushman

"The Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. are as vitally essential as rifles and ammunition. If we are to win this war, they must be supported!" W. W. Kerlin.

"We were treated royally by the Y. M. C. A. on our way to camp." Lee Frazier

"The Y. M. C. A. gives us the best of lectures, entertainments, bible classes, etc." - Roy Puff

"If you want to do something for us boys, boost the Y. M. C. A. for they certainly do a lot for us." - Bruce Stump

Well, after about a year of waiting "over there" we are now "over here". Left the States a month ago, landing at an English port. After a 10-hour train trip landed at a rest camp. England is beautiful, neat and well-kept country.

After a few days at camp we crossed the English channel at night. Then a 24-hour rail trip to our present location, near Chateau Reau. We are busily engaged in building this camp, erecting barracks, laying roads, etc.

What are the prospects for hunting in Centre County this fall? I'll likely try to "pot" a few of the enemy this fall instead of the usual game. Regards to all, - W. E. Montgomery, 335th Field Artillery, A. E. F.

The sale of War Savings Stamps and Thrift Stamps at the Centre Hall postoffice boosted during the month of October to the extent of 767 W. S. S. and 297 Thrift Stamps, bring the total sales to a maturity value of \$44,345. - A mighty fine figure and one of which we need not be ashamed.

November 8, 1918 . . . Boyd E. Potter, as a result of influenza, which developed quickly into pneumonia, passed away at his home in Centre Hall, Monday afternoon, November 4. Boyd was in his twenty-second year and was a model young man. Forty-eight hours later Mrs. Potter followed her husband in death, a sufferer from the same dread disease. Thus a home has suddenly ceased to exist and three small children have been made orphans.

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The husband and wife were consigned to a single grave in the Centre Hall cemetery this afternoon.

Peace

November 11, 1918 . . . President Wilson issued a formal proclamation at 10 o'clock this morning announcing that the armistice with Germany had been signed.

The proclamation follows:

"My Fellow Countrymen: The armistice was signed this morning. Everything for which America fought has been accomplished. It will now be our fortunate duty to assist by example, by sober friendly council and by material aid in the establishment of just democracy throughout the world."

"WOODROW WILSON"

Centre Hall, along with every other wide-awake community, celebrated the victory of the allied armies as the news flashed over the country last Thursday noon. Whistles shrieked and all the church bells in town were rung. In the evening a demonstration was held on the streets, a parade being the principal feature.

Among the instruments brought into use was a bass drum over a hundred years old, property of F. M. Fisher, the instrument having been in the Fisher family for several generations. The oldest, and undoubtedly among the most enthusiastic paraders, was Henry W. Kreamer, eighty-one years of age, who beat the tenor drum during all of the two-mile march. The National airs were sung and impromptu speeches were delivered by Prof. N. L. Bartges and Rev. Josiah Still.

When it became known that above celebration was a bit premature, the report of the ending of hostilities having been erroneously circulated, the optimistic ones found consolation in the fact that the premature celebration had only put them in shape for a bigger demonstration when the right time came - which they believed to be close at hand.

With a 100% increase in enthusiasm and energy, Centre Hall, with a monster victory parade, celebrated the close of war on Tuesday evening. Attics were searched for drums which were not beat for a score or more years. One was a tenor of the late Simon Harper, used in the civil war. Harry Harper, son of the 1861-65 war veteran, beat out victory notes on the old instrument. Another drum was given for the occasion by Mrs. D. F. Smith whose father, back in 1878, made the drum at Lemont. William Bcozer handled the sticks. H. W. Kreamer, the octogenarian, completed the trio of

tenor drummers, and there were two big bass drums also in action. The Potter township people turned out in goodly numbers and there were a few from Spring Mills who took a hand in the demonstration. The noble Red Cross, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. workers were in the parade and none were more enthusiastic.

Rev. R. R. Jones spoke to the jubilists after their return to the diamond and then there was a march to the foundry site where a match was applied to a pyramid of boxes, barrels and everything that could be rounded up by the boys to make a big bonfire.

While battle and blood-shed have ceased our boys are still in camps, on the seas, and on foreign shores. We shall continue to reproduce items of war interest, letters, etc. as they appeared in the pages of "The Centre Reporter".

On a previous page mention was made of the heroism concerning Bruce Stump, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Stump of Potter Township, near Centre Hall. The following letter, addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Stump throws further light on the matter:

Somewhere in France, Oct. 17, 1918

My Dear Mr. and Mrs. Stump:

I am Sgt. Clark of G Co., 110, and Bruce and I are best of pals. He and I were in the same squad at El Paso in 1916 and were both made sergeants the same day and were assigned to the same platoon at Camp Hancock.

At present I am a patient in a hospital near Paris. It is due to Bruce that I am here instead of possibly a prisoner in Germany, - or dead.

On the night of the twenty-eighth of July, Bruce and I shared a little hole in the ground for about a three hours sleep. At 3:45 a. m., on the morning of the 29th, we commanded an advance towards a woods. About 8 a. m. I was shot through both legs by a machine gun bullet.

Later, when an order to retreat 200 yards came, Bruce came to me. He said: "I am not going to retreat without you." I could not get him to leave me. Finally another fellow came along and the two of them, tired and weary as they were, carried me thru a field swept by machine gun fire for three or four hundred yards, to a safe spot and from there to a first aid station, about five miles distant.

I cannot express how much I owe Bruce, and now I am broken in spirit for I saw in a casualty list that Bruce is missing in action. He was a model soldier and a pal and friend worth having and nothing

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would please me better than that we two were once more soldiering side by side and sharing our all.

Sincerely, Harry E. Clark

Sgt. Harry E. Clark
A. R. C. M. Hospital No. 1,
American E. F., France.

After battling the Spanish "flu" for five weeks I finally got under way, only to have the signing of the armistice put an end to a greatly anticipated trip across the Atlantic.

After marching many miles to the bank of the James river we boarded a number of river boats and sailed down the river, arriving at Norfolk at the break of day. We were billed thru for France but after spending ten hours aboard the transport Susquehanna, which had formerly been the German ship Rhine, we were landed at Newport News and marched to this camp. This is, really, an embarkation camp and since the war appears to be over, our daily duties are considerably lightened.

We were informed that there were approximately 10,000 soldiers and 500 sailors aboard the Susquehanna. Personally I didn't count them but were as thick as flies. The sailors were mostly boys from the Carolinas, and a jolly lot of boys they were. They told of their experiences, having made seven trips across the big pond with soldiers, and were attacked three times, on their last trip by enemy submarines.

The most interesting part of the big boat to me was the manner in which every square inch of available space was utilized. Ira White-man and I were billeted, with hundreds of others, on Deck 3, about ten feet above the water line. The decks are seven feet deep and our bunks were built three-deep.

There are 12,000 men in camp at present, a number from the heavy artillery division who had been on the high seas and were recalled by wireless. Everything seems to indicate that the machinery will be kept into operation as rapidly as possible to muster out and send us home.

Sincerely, Bill Kerlin, 113th Prov. Co.

Base Hospital No. 28, A. P. O. 753, American E. F.

Dear Mother and Dad:

Somewhere in France
Nov. 10, 1918.

You will see by this letterhead that I am in a hospital, - just because some German saw fit to turn his machine gun on me, and got me through the left arm, above the elbow. It happened on the day I started my second year in the army. Am treated fine here in the hospital and have been ever since I was wounded. Wound is healing nicely, so don't worry. Love to all, your son, Elliott Smith.

Dear Mother:

This finds me in the base hospital suffering from two wounds in the leg. and gassed, but am getting along fine, so you will not need worry. Believe the war will soon be over. Your son, E. M. Schreckengast, Base Hospital 114, A. P. O. 705.

After suffering from influenza for a period of three weeks. J. William Stump passed away at his home in Centre Hall Thursday

morning, December 5, 1918. He was employed as a clerk at the local railroad station and was courteous and obliging. He was the sole support of a widowed mother, his father, the late Jerry Stump, having passed away about ten years previous. William was born in Virginia April 6, 1888, hence was in his thirty-first year.

Death, as a result of the ravages of that insidious disease, influenza has again taken the life of another young man. George Boal Slack, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Slack died Friday evening, December 13, 1918. He had gone into the mountains at beginning of the deer season and became ill while at camp. He left camp for home Wed., Dec. 4 and took his bed. Altho every care was administered, the end came at the time stated. George was in his twenty-sixth year and leaves a widow and two small children.

November 20, 1918 . . . Dear Mother:

I am in hopes you will hear of my good health long before these lines reach you. Since leaving the battle front on November 12th I have had very little time for writing.

I shall not attempt to relate my experiences at the time the armistice was signed except to say that our Regiment was making a big drive which started on the 9th. On the morning of the 11th our company was going over the top with the zero hour at 7:30. Everything went well and success was ours up until eight o'clock when the boche found our front lines and they at once put down a most hellish barrage with all the artillery they had in the sector and for two hours or so they rained down heavy high explosives and gas, and all we could hope to do was to seek shelter in the shell holes and ditches where our men were deployed. I was very fortunate in only being covered completely with mud from shells falling on the edge of the shell crater I was in. Quite a few of our men were killed but it was really miraculous how any of us escaped death. We were forced to retire possibly 100 yards and about 10:15 we were ordered to counter attack and though the news reached us that all firing should cease at eleven, yet our men went forward determined to fight to the very last and we were well out in no-man's land and making short work of machine-gun nests, to our front and flanks, when suddenly a runner came up with the order to cease firing.

The boche artillery had fired its last shot at 10:45 but our artillery never ceased firing until eleven o'clock sharp. Every one looked at each other in silence for it was really more than we could realize. Profound silence was every where and the first thing I recall that happened after the guns were silenced was a flock of birds which flew directly over our heads. They were certainly doves of peace for they flew toward the German line. During those three days we were fighting so fiercely that it was impossible to get any rations to us and all we had was a few

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hard tack and a canteen of water. During those three days a heavy fog hung over the battle field which proved very favorable to us and at night a very heavy frost covered the ground. This was very severe on us during that time (Three days) we laid in shell holes and ditches and most of our forward progress was made by crawling on our hands and knees and stomachs. It is needless to say our men were very tired on the morning of the 11th. To prove this let me mention the fact that immediately upon the ceasing of fire a number of men in my platoon laid right down in the shell holes where they had been advancing from, and fell asleep. About three o'clock our field kitchens moved out to our positions in no-man's land it was then that I went around and called the men who had gone asleep. That night the Germans put up thousands of Roman candles along their whole front which was only a few hundred yards to our front and it was a glorious sight to see our men pitch tents that night and enjoy a real rest on the very ground where they had fought so gallantly that morning. Every man in the Co. brought honor upon himself and never once did any of them show a trace of cowardly blood. Our losses are not what one would think after three days of hard fighting, but then we would expect such to be the case.

As soon as the firing ceased at eleven o'clock our stretcher-bearers and Red Cross men worked without ceasing carrying our dead and wounded off the field. By two o'clock of the 12th we had our dead heroes buried and it was with sad hearts and still with rejoicing that we turned back and with hopes that the last shot had been fired to free the world of slavery.

Since then we have been moving west and at the present are in a 210 kilometer march towards Paris. It is reported that we are to be there the third of December and our next step will be toward home. I know they will be happy moments when we can be home again and O, how much more, mother, home and friends will mean to us who have been over here.

Your letters are reaching me in remarkably good time and I assure you they are greatly appreciated. Have many more wonderful experiences to tell you.

It might be of interest to you to know where I have been on the front. About the 15th of September I saw service in the Vosges mountains south of Metz. We were on the Alsace border and for three weeks I was on the top of the mountains overlooking the German town Semones. From there we moved back for a few days' rest and then moved north, going through Nancy, St. Mihiel and finally going into action just between Verdun and Metz and east of the Meuse river.

Aside from suffering from being slightly gassed and a bad cold I am feeling very good. In fact most every one has a bad cold but we hope to rid ourselves of it before long.

While we are badly in need of rest yet the men are showing up great and it's marvelous the spirit they manifest. We have just finished a twenty-five kilometer march and the men are being billeted for the night, so thought I would write before making up my bedding roll for the few hours rest we get before starting out early in the morning.

Perhaps my next letter will be written on board ship headed for home.

Will close with love and kind regards to all the friends.

Your soldier boy,

NED KELLER

November 20, 1918 . . . Dear Dad: Well, Dad, everything has stopped at last. But it is so hard to believe. It seems as though tomorrow the guns will start again. Since a couple of weeks after we hit France I have never been away from the sound of the guns, until the day the war was over. Last Sunday night I looked up at the sky and I knew just as well as I am writing this letter that I would never see the sky lit up from the guns of a battle field in this war again. They were fighting then just as hard as they have any time in the last few years. It gave me a wonderful feeling to know that I was living to see the last night the guns ever lit up the sky. But, Dad, I have lost four pals; you don't know what that means because a man has to be a soldier to know what a pal is. It is a feeling for another man that you would even give your life to save him and he would do the same for you. He is the man you go half with on anything from your troubles to your money. Do you understand a little bit from that what I mean by a pal? One of the fellows I was rolling up in the same blankets with last year this time was transferred to the Infantry a few months ago and made a Lieut. He was knocked off two months after he received his bars. The last time we saw each other, when we were through talking he said, "I will see you tomorrow, Russ," and I never saw him again. He was killed.

Well, Dad, about nine the order came out for all the troops to hold fast at any point they had reached at eleven o'clock, and that is the way the war stopped. That night the Frenchmen went wild. I have been kissed by a man. Can you imagine it? Dad, some of these Frenchmen hugged, kissed, and did everything else to me that night. Dad, I cannot write it all, there is too much; wait till I get home, and I am sure I am coming back, and I will tell you all about it.

I think I told you how the outfit I am in was brought together. We are out of Infantry Artillery, Machine gun and everything; most of the fellows are out of the Infantry though. You remember Short? Well, he is the only man out of his squad that left the States that is living today. He was in the Infantry. The fellow that is our Top Sergeant was a private in the Doughboys; he and his Corporal are the only ones living today out of his squad and the Corporal is badly wounded; and Dad, I could tell you something like that about every fellow in this outfit. When I say they are the only men left I mean the only men of the original outfit that they were in. These outfits have just so many men now as ever but they are all replacements. I have wondered many times in the last few days if the fellow that took my place in the artillery is still living. The last I heard of it they were shot up just as badly as the rest.

Well, Dad, I will have to stop now. I will write soon again. Your boy,
RUSS (H. Russell Smith)

December 19, 1918 . . . On Friday, John Potter and Elmer Lingle returned to Centre Hall from Camp Lee, Virginia. William Rockey returned home last week from Camp Pitt, connected with the

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University of Pittsburgh, where he was in special training as a motor mechanic.

Ira Whiteman and Wm. Kerlin surprised their relatives, Tuesday noon the 17th, having been discharged from Camp Lee.

Dr. W. E. Park now holds a Captain's commission and is located in a base hospital in France. Last summer the doctor was gassed and it was after his recovery that his services were recognized by advancing his rank.

A letter was received this week by Mr. and Mrs. Byron Garis from their youngest son, William in France. He is o. k. No news has come concerning John who was in the thick of the fight up to the last.

A letter from George Alfred Crawford to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Crawford assure them their son is safe, in the best of health, and that he was in the fight up to the last.

Terror, Germany, December 6, 1918

In September I was located in Petaine Luxemburg, which was a fine town about the size of Bellefonte. Lots of fine girls there, but the Pennsylvania farmer girls for me every time. While in Petaine I received a dear old Centre Reporter, and did I read it? We lived in houses with gas lights and good beds. There were fifty of us in one room and 3,800 in the town.

In November was located in Avocourt, France which has a German prison camp with a capacity of 3,500 and is nearly filled. Was warm, rained four days and mud was knee deep. We are all pretty healthy, know nothing of the "flu" which has been so bad in the States.

Now we are in Germany. Three of us are staying with a German family and they treat us royally. In a few days we shall leave for Cologne. A Merry Christmas to you. Your son, J. Roy Smith

Bruce Stahl arrived home Wednesday afternoon, January 1, 1919 from Hampton Roads. He was in the aviation section of the navy and was one of the 10,000 naval men stationed at that point.

Others to arrive home in time for Christmas festivities were Harry Neff, Roy Dutrow, George Smith and Wallace Runkle.

The 1916 Christmas Red Cross Roll Call was nobly responded to by Centre Hall and Potter Township. There were 465 adults, 54 juniors below school age and 408 school children from the Centre Hall and the thirteen Potter Township schools. The schools turned a 100% enrollment into the local Auxiliary.

January 19, 1919 . . . Nerman Emerick, seaman, has returned from Puget Sound, state of Washington, where he was in Uncle Sam's service. Likewise H. Ellis Hennigh has returned from Camp Dix and Frank A. McKinney returned home from the Forestry

Engineers Regiment, Camp Forrest, Georgia. While in the service his brother, Perry McKinney, died with influenza.

From Proven, Belgium a letter dated Dec. 16, 1918, from John Garis to his parents indicates John is wading mud over the shoe tops. Proven is but 36 miles from Dunkirk, the city almost completely ruined by German shell fire from sea and airplane raids.

The Centre Hall postoffice sold a total of 10,839 War Savings Stamps with a maturity value, January 1, 1923 of \$54,190.00 State College, Bellefonte and Philipsburg are the only offices in Centre County that sold more stamps than Centre Hall.

Good old Centre County has once again "Gone Over The Top". Its allotment of \$876, 200 - or \$20 for every man, woman and child - for War Savings Stamps has been reached. It was no small task and the County's chairman, W. Harrison Walker, Esq., is the man whose indefatigable efforts made the goal possible.

Thomas Foss, former Centre Hall boy, who is stationed at a cantonment in Massachusetts, spent a day in town while on a 5-day furlough.

"Jack" Spangler, youngest son of Howard Spangler, was in Centre Hall Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1919, enjoying a short furlough. He is on the battleship cruiser "U. S. Galveston" and has made eight trips across the Atlantic. The U. S. Galveston was one of a convoy of ships that assured safety to the big transports loaded with our boys on their way to France. "Jack" made known that as many as fifty armed vessels accompanied a transport across the waters.

January 23, 1919 . . . William Garis, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron W. Garis, is home from France, having landed on the shores of the U. S. A. on Jan. 3rd, and after receiving an honorable discharge came to his home in Centre Hall, arriving here Saturday. He is the first local boy who has faced the fire of the Huns to get back home.

William left Centre Hall May 11th of last year for Columbus, Ohio, barracks and later was transferred to Fort Hancock, N. J. He left for England on Aug. 13th, and arrived overseas Aug. 28th. He had been trained in the heavy artillery and immediately upon his arrival in Europe was rushed through to the Verdun sector to

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replace units of the railroad artillery which had been completely wiped out by the enemy.

He held the position of second man on the breech of a monster gun known as a 32, which shoots a 13-inch shell and having a range of 12 miles. There are two guns to a battery and they are mounted on railroad tracks and can be quickly moved in the event of the enemy locating them. William had the picture of the big gun with him and they served to convince his many admiring friends that he was right where the big noise was made. William's several months of hard fighting were all spent in the Verdun sector and the Argonne region. He witnessed suffering and death and at one time an immense shell burst not far from him and a piece of flying shrapnel completely severed the arm of a comrade standing close to him. William himself, during all his service, escaped without so much as a scratch. His closest call came when a huge enemy shell struck a few yards ahead of him and the concussion lifted him off his feet and violently deposited him on the earth eight feet away. He says he felt himself over when he "came to" but found he was unhurt.

Regarding his experience, he said that he would not have missed it for the world, but that he would not care to repeat the operation.

January 29, 1919 . . . Dear Folks: I thought I'd be on my way to God's country by this time, but I have another thought coming. We are equipped, ready to go, but as yet no order has been issued.

I have been assigned a new duty—guarding German prisoners of war. I go on duty at 4 a. m. and am relieved at 12—eight hours on and sixteen off. All I hear out of them is a lot of "gibberish", and it's all foreign to me. Maybe they're telling one another what they would do to me if I were their prisoner; who knows?

Since I've been over here I have seen some terribly wounded soldiers. Oh, how these men have suffered. It would open the eyes of the stay-at-homes to witness the sights that the A. E. F. have witnessed. God help them is my plea.

At the present time Boches surround me, working diligently at the work assigned them. They talk, laugh, and best of all, when work is over they sing church anthems.

BILL (Private Wm. Bailey),
Evacuation Hospital No. 28
Nantes, France

January 30, 1919 . . . Private Elliot Smith was received with a joyous welcome at his home in Centre Hall last Thursday morning. On account of his wounded arm he had been detained at the Camp Meade hospital.

His injury was received while going over the top on Nov. 6th, five days before the declaration of the armistice. He belonged to company D, 60th Infantry of the 5th division. He had faced the enemy

fire on five different occasions and on the last trip received a machine gun bullet in the left arm, a few inches below the elbow. While in Centre Hall Dr. Longwell gave the injured arm attention.

"It all seems like a dream", is Private Smith's way of summing up the tales of the wonderful experiences he has undergone since leaving his home a little over a year ago.

February 1, 1919 . . . To be wounded twice by a Boche bullet, gassed an equal number of times, officially listed as "dead", and then to return home to find out that his wife had accepted it all to be true and had gone and married again, was the strenuous experience of a Lewistown soldier, who enlisted in Aug. 1917. He slipped into his home town a few days ago without sending any advance notice. Instead of springing the surprise, it was he who was surprised. The only comment he has to make is that Sherman underestimated war; he did not make it strong enough. A few weeks after the War Department had chronicled the death of her soldier husband his wife married a civilian and moved away from Lewistown.

February 3, 1919 . . . Dear Folks: Just to let you know that General John J. Pershing was at Camp Blotteran, (where our organization is located) and inspected the personnel of this hospital center this a. m. at 10:30.

He shook hands with the nurses and had a word of greeting to each individual nurse. Finally he came to our organization and approached our officers after which he made a quick inspection of the personnel of the unit.

He surely is some man, and I am proud to say that I was inspected by America's most distinguished general.

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LIEUT. "NED" KELLER ASSUMES NEW ROLE

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Lieut. W. Ned Keller, of Linden Hall, whose achievements in the World War make all Penns Valley proud to own him as a native son, has assumed a new role in France as athletic director. His ability along this line was clearly shown in his college life before entering the war.

In a communication to this office Lieut. Keller writes as follows:

Mussey-Sur-Seine,
March 3, 1919

In my present capacity as Division Athletic Officer, I have had the pleasure of seeing some fine football games that would put Yale and Harvard to shame. Everyone is busy trying for the Allied meets to be held in June and July. Hope to stay for them. I took my Division team of "pugs" to Paris on February 16th where I put on a boxing exhibition for General Pershing and the Prince of Wales.

Regards,

NED

MISS ANNA STOVER, RED CROSS NURSE, WRITES FROM FRANCE

(Letter to her mother, Mrs. Sarah Stover, of Centre Hall)

St. Nazaire, France
Feb. 23, 1919

Dear Mother:

I am cross! wanted to go for a walk, but it is raining so hard I must stay at home.

Just came off duty; have been working on German prisoners of war for several days. They are not very hard to take care of as none of them are very sick. But one of the girls told me today that I was going back to my old ward again in a day or so.

Had a very lovely trip up to Nantes on Friday. I left here Thursday evening and arrived there at 6:30 p. m. There was a captain on the train and he went with us and helped us locate a hotel and we had a very fine hotel and they treated us very nice. We got our rooms assigned to us and were put in an automatic elevator and sent up to the floor on which our room was. Then the maid met us and we had one grand time trying to make her understand which was to be our rooms. We just wrote it on the walls. At last she understood us. We took all our meals there and they were very good. I will tell you what we had for dinner; it was all served in courses and was long drawn out. (I like mine all bunched together). First course, potato salad; second, shell fish; third, fish; fourth,

meat and potatoes; fifth, cheese, roasted chestnuts, coffee. They served plenty of each. The French people don't serve as many vegetables as the Americans.

We visited the Art Museum and they claim it is one of the best in France. The paintings are wonderful; there are ancient and modern pictures and they are all so true to nature that I could never understand how any one could bring out nature so beautifully. And the sculpture work was one of perfect wonder.

We also visited the old cathedral that was started in the fourteenth century and finished in the eighteenth century. It was very nice and there were a great many altars in each. The sculpture work and paintings were very good. The old Chateau is an old historic building and is one of interest but we didn't have much time to spend there as we had used up too much in the museum and our time was limited. I didn't do much shopping, only bought a few handkerchiefs and am going to send some home to the folks at Centre Hall.

This is almost the last of February. I suppose you people will soon be talking garden, house cleaning, new hats and dresses.

They are holding church services at the Red Cross hut tonight; don't think I will go as I still have three more letters to write and this one is the third already. So I guess I will close. With lots of love to all. I remain,

Your daughter,

ANNA

July 27, 1919 . . . Warren Homan, who has for the past six months been in training at Camp Bremerton, on Puget Sound, state of Washington arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Homan today. Warren enlisted in the navy last summer.

March 27, 1919 . . . Fred Stover arrived in N. Y. City with the 82nd Transportation Corps from France. He will be discharged shortly from Camp Dix, N. J.

Among the Centre County boys overseas who are taking advantage of the three months college course offered by the army is Private Henry Mitterling of Centre Hall who recently entered a French university at Montpellier.

April 17, 1919 . . . Geo. Alfred Crawford and D. Ross Bushman are home from overseas; Herbert Garis from Camp Lee and Elliott Smith from Camp Mead.

The last letter received from Private Daniel Bloom by his parents told of the happy meeting with Bill Bailey, in the city of Nantes,

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France. Meeting of acquaintances in this manner is reported to be rare.

Private William Miller is finishing a 30-days furlough at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dutrow of this place. Miller is stationed at Columbus, New Mexico as a member of the 12th Cavalry Machine Gun Troop. He has re-enlisted for a period of three years.

May 22, 1919 . . . Last week William Bailey was mustered out of the service at Camp Dix, N. J. Originally a member of the Boal Machine Gun Troop he saw service on the Mexican border. He re-entered the army at Camp Greenleaf last summer. John Garis was discharged from Camp Dix and has arrived home. John saw better than the average in front-line service. Chas. Smith, who also saw service in France has been honorably discharged and is home.

The Swartz Brothers, - William and George of Tusseyville have telegraphed their parents of their safe arrival in the States.

May 29, 1919 . . . Clayton Martz, member of Co. A, 107th Machine Gun Battalion who arrived in a group at State College on Friday, the 23rd, for the reception and parade, has returned to his home in Tusseyville. Soldier Martz escaped unhurt in all the fighting, altho he stood close by when his comrades were killed and severely injured.

Reuben Spangler, a member of the A. E. F., 42nd ("Rainbow") Division, has been mustered out of the service and visited his father, Howard Spangler, in Centre Hall this week.

June 4, 1919 . . . John Whiteman, who was one of Centre Hall's first drafted men to enter the service has returned home from Camp Meade, Maryland where he was employed in Uncle Sam's camp kitchen. Because of John's increased knowledge about things culinary, he would make some woman a mighty fine "wife".

Charles Harris Bubbs of Colyer, was a member of Co. M, 314th Infantry and took part in the important battles in which the A. E. F. were engaged. Mr. Bubbs has a number of very interesting German souvenirs.

June 19, 1919 . . . Lieut. W. E. Montgomery is again at his post at Potters Mills as state forester after an extended absence serving his country in the A. E. F. He was attached to the 109th Field Artillery.

July 10, 1919 . . . Miss Anna Stover, after seven months service as a nurse in Base Hospital No. 101. St. Nazaire, France, has safely returned to the States. J. Roy Smith of Potters Mills likewise has landed in New York.

July 31, 1919 . . . Five days ago Bruce Stump reached his home above Centre Hall; Roy Puff, the first Centre Hall boy to reach

France, arrived home Saturday, July 26th; John Smith, youngest son of J. Frank Smith is now at the home of his brother, Chas. S. Smith, near Tusseyville. John enlisted in the regular navy and qualified as a first class wireless operator.

August 2, 1919 . . . Today Centre Hall and community held a very enjoyable "Welcome Home and Community Picnic" on grange park. The weather was ideal, the attendance large. With the exception of one or two boys who have not yet been discharged from service and a few who have already found employment out of town, there was a complete turn-out of ex-service men, but only at one time did they assemble in a body and that was when they appeared on the stage of the auditorium for the brief exercises just before noon.

The West Milton band rendered several excellent selections and then the people who crowded the auditorium gave a listening ear to Lieut. W. Ned Keller, who delivered an excellent address. Lieut. Keller dwelt, throughout his discourse, upon noble work of the Y. M. C. A., American Red Cross, Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Board and the Salvation Army, paying a sincere tribute to the millions of men, women and children "back home" who, by their unselfish support of these agencies, made their work possible.

Henry Mitterling, who, just a week ago landed in the States from France, arrived just in time to take his place on the stage and listen, in company with his pals, to the address.

John Rowe, employed at Atlantic City, was at his home in Centre Hall the past week. John served many months at Kelly Field, Texas where he was the Officers' Mess Sergeant, a position carrying with it much responsibility and the need for systematizing to effect greatest possible economy. John's services were appreciated by the officers to such extent that, before leaving the unit, he was presented with a fine leather wallet, with a substantial sum of money enclosed.

September 30, 1919 . . . Daniel Bloom, the last service man from this vicinity to receive his discharge, arrived at his home today. He was mustered out at Camp Dix.

The writer regrets that a complete list of those in the service from Centre Hall and Potter Township appears to be not available.

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We were required to confine our copy, almost entirely, to the records obtained in the files of "The Centre Reporter".

And with this we bring to an end our little review of the part we played, as a community, in World War No. 1. - As this copy is written, in the fall months of 1940, - the world is again faced with the grim reality of the possibility that the European struggle, now raging, may develop into "World War No. 2" - and the outcome, - only time knows the answer!

In order that we might be able to bring the story Centre Hall and Potter Township played in the war of April 6, 1917 to November 11, 1918, we broke the continuity of general events, etc. and confined the preceeding number of pages exclusively to "America Is At War!"

At this point we shall now return you to the year 1917 and report items in their chronological order.

August 16, 1917 . . . The Zettle & Lucas planing mill, equipment and properties were sold Tuesday and Wednesday of this week to the following: The E. E. Zettle home to H. F. Bitner for \$775.00; The John D. Lucas home to Adam Heckman, of Millheim, for \$1800.00; The Centre Hall Planing Mill property to Messrs. B. D. Brisbin, W. F. Bradford and D. A. Boozer for \$1425.00 and the planing mill machinery to the same parties for \$1763.00.

The bulk of the lumber was sold to the Kulp Lumber Co. of Shamckin, who paid as high as \$60.00 a thousand feet.

August 30, 1917 . . . The Centre Hall Drug Store, for the past year and four months, owned by Dr. H. H. Longwell has been sold. The new owner is Miss Mable Arney, who takes possession Saturday, September 1. Miss Arney was graduated this year from the pharmaceutical department of the University of Pittsburgh, and is therefore amply qualified to take care of all the prescription work and give first class service.

March 14, 1918 . . . There will be the usual number of changes of residence in Centre Hall prior to or on April 1. Most changes will be caused by homes having been sold.

ACQUISITIONS OF RESIDENTS: - John H. Breon - Geo. W. Potter - M. L. Smith - Boyd Potter - D. Frank Smith - John Rine - Rev. W. A. Picken - A. F. Heckman - C. H. Rimmey - W. E. Tate - Frank M. Fisher - Miss Mary Fisher - Rev. J. A. Schultz.

LOSSES OF RESIDENTS: - Jerome Wilkens - George Breon - B. H. Arney - Clyde Stover - E. M. Brown - Rev. F. H. Foss - Dr. H. F. Bitner - Earl Lutz.

May 9, 1918 . . . Through the interest and initiative of Rev. J. A. Shultz, local United Evangelical minister, who is a regularly com-

missioned Boy Scout Master, Centre Hall has an organization of Boy Scouts. The Scout roll is as follows:

Franklin J. Heckman, Reuben K. Zettle, Earnest A. Frank, Harold H. Keller, Harvey W. Flink, John P. Shultz, Frederick Moore, Newton Crawford, Franklin P. Runkle, Daniel Smith Daup, Paul M. Fetterolf, Franklin H. Ruble, Albert L. Emery, William D. Sweetwood, Harry R. Gross, Howard E. Emery, Ralph E. Emerick, Albert I. Smith.

May 30, 1918 . . . Following closely on the heels of the Boy Scout organization the Girl Scouts have been organized. Present membership is:

Mae Shultz, Nona Wagner, Sara Zettle, Hazel Ripka, Beatrice Kreamer, Miriam Huyett, Catherine Bradford and Grace Miller.

Mrs. (Rev.) J. A. Shultz is Scout Captain and Mrs. E. S. Ripka is Scout Lieutenant.

July 11, 1918 . . . The Centre Hall School Board has elected teachers for the ensuing year. Those elected, with salaries, follows:

High School: Prof. N. L. Bartges,	\$125 per month
Grammar: Miss Isabel Rowe,	.65 per month
Intermediate: Miss Olive Way,	60 per month
Primary: Miss Helen Bartholomew,	60 per month

August 15, 1918 . . . Thru the Chas. D. Bartholomew agency the Mrs. Rebecca Murray property was sold to Samuel Hoy of Hublersburg for \$3200.00. The house is a brick structure. Mrs. Murray has occupied the property for many years, her husband, the late Levi Murray, having built it in the early seventies.

October 3, 1918 . . . Myra Kimport - Millinery - Room adjoining C. M. Smith Store - New Styles Fall and Winter Hats - Call and see them.

March 27, 1919 . . . Movings in the borough: Mrs. M. L. Smith moves to Johnstown and the home will be occupied by E. H. Grove who purchased same; Dr. A. G. Lieb moved from his farm to his property in Centre Hall: Domer Ishler from the Fiedler property to the Whiteman home on Hoffer Street, which he purchased. Mrs. Belle Whiteman to the Rossman apartment, which is vacated by the Van Gordens; Cleve Brungart vacates the house in which

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he lived several years and will move to the McCool place near Tusseyville: John A. Slack purchased the house vacated by Mr. Brungart and will become a resident of town; Mrs. Della Reiber vacates the Dr. Lee home, to be followed by Frank Lee of near Bellefonte, who owns the home.

Mrs. Rebeca Emerick moved into the W. G. Runkle property; Newton Emerick moved from the Mrs. Sarah Kerlin home to the Harlacker property at the upper end of town and is followed by Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, who are beginning housekeeping; John M. Coldren vacates part of the Mitterling property to be followed by Mrs. Elizabeth Mitterling; Mr. Coldren will occupy the new Runkle apartments near the hotel, when completed; Edward Bailey vacates the Geiss home and moves to the Lambert property; W. F. Colyer becomes a resident of town, having purchased the Geiss place; Prof. N. L. Bartges vacates the former Bushman home and moves to the Feidler home, to be followed by Mrs. Crust of near Axemann, who purchased the place from Prof. Heckman.

A brief history of the Geiss property, mentioned above, as relating to sales will be of interest. April 9, 1856 the lot was sold by Uriah D. Osman to Francis Harpster; Consideration \$100.00.

The house was built a short time thereafter by George Harpster, and April 2, 1870 was sold to Simon S. Wolf, of Miles Township, for the sum of \$2600.00

July 21, 1870 the place was sold to Israel J. Grenoble, then recorder of Centre County, for \$2650.00. For the third time in 1870 the property changed hands. On September 23 it was sold to David K. Geiss for \$2610.

September 5 the property was sold by Mr. Geiss to his son, D. Wagner Geiss and on January 13, 1911 a deed was made by the owner to his sisters, Misses Elsie and Virna Geiss.

S. W. Smith became the owner of the place March 29, 1915 for the consideration of \$2200.00 and beginning of April, 1919 William F. Colyer purchased same for \$2550.00

April 4, 1919 . . . The local Boy Scouts realized some forty dollars at their entertainment given in the Grange Hall this evening. Their two-act play, "The Making of Larry", was well received by the audience. Those who participated in the play were: John Shultz, Harold Keller, Frederick Moore, Albert Emery, Howard Emery, Paul Schreckengast, William Sweetwood, Daniel Smith, Kryder Miller, Ernest Frank and Harvey Flink.

May 22, 1919 . . . John M. Luse began this week as mail messenger between the local postoffice and the railroad station, replacing Lyman L. Smith, resigned. Mr. Luse is the third mail messenger on this route since 1897, when D. A. Boozer took the route, follow-

ing Michael Willow. He served until May, 1916 at which time he was succeeded by Mr. Smith, mentioned above. For many years, prior to 1916, the mail was carried by horse-drawn vehicle and in the earlier days a push cart was used when the mail sacks were too heavy to sling over the shoulder of Father Willow.

July 18, 1919 . . . Lieutenant Chas. Lamborn of Los Angeles, Calif., aged 33, an aerial mail carrier was killed when his DeHaviland-4 fell 6,000 feet at Dix Run, near Unionville.

August 24, 1919 . . . Harry W. Harper was the first resident of Centre Hall to make a flight in an aeroplane which he did today. The flight was for a period of twenty minutes and was from the aviation field at Bellefonte. Harry paid for the experience at the rate of \$1 per minute. "Really", said Harper, "I had more thrilling experiences driving the old Liz, the Ford, - from Centre Hall to the aviation farm", - and one must know Harper to fully appreciate what he said about his maiden "Liz".

September 4, 1919 . . . Lawrence Runkle, the carpenter, is relieving the housing situation, to some extent, in Centre Hall by erecting a residence for himself on the vacant lot on Main Street, south of the Alfred P. Krape residence.

September 18, 1919 . . . Ralph Henney - Insurance . . . As agent for Commonwealth Casualty Co. of Philadelphia am ready to write accident and sickness insurance at a low rate. You cannot afford to be without this necessary protection. See me personally.

September 25, 1919 . . . William B. Feidler sold the property occupied by the widow Mrs. John Martz, to D. L. Bartges. Mr. Bartges' daughter, Mrs. Della Reiber, will occupy the place . . . The drug store property has been sold by Mrs. H. F. Bitner to Miss Mabel Arney, who occupies same very successfully as a druggist.

November 4, 1919 . . . One hundred fifty of our citizens went to the polls today and after the election board completed the count we find the following local candidates elected:

Judge of Election: John H. Weber; Inspector: Cleveland Mitterling; Constable: Wm. H. Runkle; Councilmen: M. L. Emerick and A. H. Spayd, each for 2 years; Harry C. Shirk, Wm. J. Smith, F. M. Fisher and E. M. Huyett, all for 4 years.

Overseer of the poor: W. E. Tate and Andrew Zettle; Borough Auditors: V. A. Auman (2 years) and T. L. Moore (6 years); Justice of the Peace: Cyrus Brungart; School Directors: F. P.

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Geary with a tie vote of 73 each for C. F. Emery and J. G. Dauberman. (Note: Mr. Emery later refused to serve and Mr. Dauberman was declared elected).

November 13, 1919 . . . At a regular meeting of the School Board it was decided to wire the school building, on Church street, for electric lights. The dark, cloudy days that prevailed throughout October made school work extremely difficult without artificial lights.

December 11, 1919 . . . The hens willing to scratch long hours are the only kind wanted on the Grand View Poultry Farm of which A. E. Kerlin and son are owners. They have had all their poultry houses wired for electric lights and with a switch, controlled by an alarm-clock devise, the lights come on and off at designated times.

December 27, 1919 . . . Florence Krape is dead. The news was received with universal sorrow throughout the community. Alfred P. Krape, father of the girl, James S. Krape, the former's brother from Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Clara Reish, an elder sister of Miss Florence, Mrs. Reish's little son Alfred, aged three, and Miss Florence made up the quintette who left Centre Hall in Mr. Krape's car this morning for a trip to Lewistown to visit relatives.

Just what happened at the bridge below the "Horseshoe Curve" is a conjecture. The car went out of control, struck the light guard rails of the bridge, toppled into Laurel Run, landing on its top where the water was about three feet deep.

Alfred Krape was the least hurt and was able to effect the rescue of several members of the party. After shuffling his feet about in the waters he finally located his grandson, and namesake, Alfred Reish. The child had been fully submerged for at least a full minute but no ill effects resulted.

Mr. Krape then searched frantically for his fourteen year old daughter, Florence, and was horrified to find she was pinned under the car and until additional help was secured the body of the unfortunate girl was obliged to remain in the icy waters of Laurel Run. When recovered a half hour later, life was extinct. Her untimely death is sad in the extreme, and fully bears out the adage: "In the midst of life we are in death".

January 8, 1920 . . . Beginning with the new year the firm name of Bradford & Company, instead of Bradford & Son, appears as the proprietors of the Centre Hall Roller Flouring Mills. The third party is Victor A. Auman who got his training under John H. Weber, former owner of the business, and has been with the Bradfords from the beginning.

January 29, 1920 . . . A co-partnership has been established between Harry W. Harper and Warren Homan for carrying on auto repair work at the former's garage on Hoffer Street.

April 1, 1920 . . . Considerable changing among tenants in Centre Hall has or shortly will take place among which are: H. H. Mark moves off the farm into his own home which W. H. Brubaker vacates. The Brubakers go to the Rhone home; Mrs. Kate Dale and Miss Mollie Hoffer from apartment above drug store to State College; John M. Coldred from the Presbyterian Manse to the drug store apartments; L. R. Lingle from State College to the Presbyterian Manse; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutrow start housekeeping in the White property on Church St. Samuel Durst quits the farm and moves into the Mrs. Susan Geary home which he purchased; Clyde Dutrow from the farm to the Dr. G. W. Hosterman property which he purchased; A. F. Heckman moves to State College and is followed by Samuel Gingerich who purchased the home; Mrs. Maynard Meeker into the Rimmey property on Hoffer Street, which she purchased; Benjamin Arney vacates the Rhone home and moves into the Samuel Weber property which he bought; Lawrence Runkle vacates the Weber place into his new home, across from the Grange Hall.

The Bushman properties, consisting of about 2½ acres of land and two bungalows, one of which is decidedly modern and complete, was sold to Robert M. Smith of Centre Hall, through the Bartholomew agency, for \$4200.00. Mr. Smith will occupy the place about May 1st.

Mrs. Sarah Bushman intends to make sale of her personal property and locate in the far west where her son, D. Ross Bushman, an ex-service man, is located.

The home of the late Hon. Leonard Rhone was sold to William S. Brooks, a farmer west of town.

June 26, 1920 . . . The Stiver property beyond the station was sold today to David Stoner, the highest bidder, for \$3905.00. The dwelling was erected about 1900 by A. P. Luse and occupied by him and his family for a short time. Mr. Stiver purchased the home from Mr. Luse in 1903, paying \$1700.00. There were many modern improvements added by Mr. Stiver.

August 5, 1920 . . . Hunters' license arm bands this year will be gray instead of the light green which was used last year. In 1918 they were salmon pink. The color adopted for next year will be light blue.

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Aug. 21, 1920 . . . The comfortable little home of Mrs. O. F. Funk on Church Street was sold today to Mrs. Sadie Gfrerer who, after making sale at the farm, will occupy the home. The price paid was \$3,000.00.

September 30, 1920 . . . While flying to Bellefonte with a cargo of mail, pilot F. A. Robinson struck a cable over the Susquehanna river, near Millersburg, and dropped to his death. It is thought the pilot lost his direction and was following the river on his way to Bellefonte.

October 7, 1920 . . . I. Clymer McClenahan - Have you placed your order for a Sunday paper? Remember there'll be good reading until after the Presidential election. The World Series and the naming of the next President of the United States are gripping the interest of every red-blooded citizen and the Sunday papers give the most comprehensive information.

November 2, 1920 . . . By great odds the largest vote ever cast in Centre Hall was recorded at today's election. The ladies now have a vote and 117 of the fair sex availed themselves of the opportunity. Their ages?-all the way from 21 to 92. Mrs. Mary Dinges being the oldest voter.

November 25, 1920 . . . Friendly rivalry has been developed among the Penns Valley High Schools this fall in the matter of athletics. Last Friday, Nov. 19th Centre Hall met Boalsburg on the latter's field, in a game of soccer football. The game ended in a 1 - 1 tie.

November 25, 1920 . . . A crowd of eighty-four students from the Department of Poultry Husbandry, Pennsylvania State College made a visit to the Kerlin poultry farm where they took a keen interest in the various departments of the industry.

The W. B. Mingle home was sold this week, through the Bartholomew agency, to George E. Heckman for \$4700.00

January 6, 1921 . . . The W. A. Krise home was sold recently to Mrs. O. F. Funk. The Funks will occupy the home April 1st. The price paid was \$1600.00.

. . . Messrs. C. E. Flink and I. Clymer McClenahan, the business managers of Centre Hall's youngest enterprise, call attention to the fact that they can supply you with electric light fixtures at a saving in cost to you. They also have considerable experience in house wiring and will continue this work. Their new store is located in the I. O. O. F. building, the room formerly occupied by Miss Myra Kimport, the milliner. They have added a line of cigars, tobacco and candies.

February 3, 1921 . . . Dr. G. I. Yearick, late of Portage, recently purchased the Mingle home from Geo. E. Heckman and is now located in his new residence with his family which consists of Mrs. Yearick, their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Brady and their family.

W. F. Colyer started his milk route through Centre Hall yesterday, selling bottled milk at 10c a quart, which is two cents reduction over others.

Tillie P. Keller - An authorized subscription representative for The Country Gentleman, The Ladies' Home Journal, The Saturday Evening Post.

April 28, 1921 . . . Centre Hall, among other things, is noted for the longevity attained by its residents. A party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Meyer to which a number of aged folks were invited. The combined ages of the invited guests, including Mr. and Mrs. Meyer was 989 years, an average of 82½ years. Those present, with exception of Mrs. Susanna Spangler, who was unable to attend, and their ages follow:

Mrs. Mary Dinges	92	Mrs. Abram Luckenbach	83
Mrs. Margaret Smith	89	D. J. Meyer	78
Capt. G. M. Boal	82	Henry W. Kreamer	83
Mrs. Kate Conley	81	Mrs. H. W. Kreamer	67
Mrs. Susanna Spangler	93	John J. Arney	82
Mrs. Nancy Benner	85	Mrs. D. J. Meyer	74

May 5, 1921 . . . Centre Hall High School led all other "Class B" High Schools in the county in the track and field meet at Bellefonte, April 30th scoring 61 points, which was 32 points higher than their closest contender, Millheim. Events and positions in which Centre Hall students finished follows:

100 Yard Dash: (1) Newton Crawford; (2) Stanley Brooks. Time: 11.4 seconds.

220 Yard Dash: (2) James Royer.

Half Mile Run: (1) Ed Foust; (2) Stanley Brooks. Time: 2 min. 46 seconds.

440 Yard Dash: (3) James Royer.

Shot Put: (1) William Sweetwood; (2) Ed. Foust. Distance: 40 ft.

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Running High Jump: (1) Ed Foust. Height: 4 ft. 8 in.

Baseball Throw: (1) Ed Foust; (3) William Sweetwood. Distance: 246 feet.

One Mile Relay: Centre Hall team finished (2).

50 Yard Dash for Girls: (2) Sarah Snyder; (3) Mabelle Sharer.

440 Yard Walk for Girls: (1) Gladys Garbrick; (2) Mabelle Sharer; (3) Ellen Meeker. Time: 2 min. 42 sec.

Baseball Throw for Girls: (1) Hazel Ripka; (2) Sarah Snyder. Distance: 121 feet.

Centre Hall captured twenty-two medals, winning 8 firsts, 8 seconds, 8 thirds.

July 14, 1921 . . . Dr. A. G. Lieb has a force of carpenters engaged in razing the property, just south of the Mary Fisher home, and work on a handsome new brick property will proceed at a lively rate, so as to be ready for occupancy by Mr. and Mrs. Lieb next spring. The new home will be a noted improvement to the town.

July 18, 1921 . . . Mrs. Sarah J. Kerlin met with a serious accident this morning at the home of her son, Arthur E. Kerlin. Mrs. Kerlin, who has been totally blind for several years, has nevertheless been able to walk about without aid. This morning she was attempting to locate her favorite chair on the front porch, when she approached too close to the porch steps and fell the entire distance of the steps to the concrete landing. Dr. H. H. Longwell discovered a compound fracture of the right arm and a fracture of the right hip. The aged lady was taken to the Bellefonte Hospital by ambulance. Her condition is considered critical.

August 11, 1921 . . . F. V. Goodhart, the local furniture dealer and undertaker, wishes to announce to the public that from the present time his business will be conducted from his new store, just completed, on his home lot in the lower end of town.

C. E. Flink - Complete line of Champion Farm Machinery and repairs. See the Champion line and get prices before you buy.

March 16, 1922 . . . L. R. Lingle, last week, purchased two foundry lots, on Hoffer Street, from T. L. Smith and immediately proceeded to raze the old foundry building. It is the intention of Mr. Lingle to erect for himself and Mrs. Lingle, a house on one of these lots, using material in the old building for that purpose.

May 4, 1922 . . . The Shoop restaurant, located in the hotel building, changed hands on Monday, Mrs. Belle Whiteman taking charge. She will be assisted by her sister, Mrs. Decker and by Mrs. Whiteman's son, John, who had long experience in cooking at Army Camps during the World War. Both ladies spent much

time past few years assisting the Shoops, so the work will not be new to them.

The Pool Room in the Odd Fellows' building is now being conducted by John M. Coldren, with William Reese who has had several years experience in this line of work, as his right hand man McClenahan and Flink sold their entire outfit to the new owner.

May 25, 1922 . . . A radio receiving station was temporarily set up in the Seven Mountains, at the home of Walter Garrity, and numerous persons from Centre Hall, and elsewhere, have been given the opportunity to listen to complete radio programs from Schenectady, N. Y. A 100-ft. aerial is employed and the machine, made by the owner, Mr. David Snowberger of Altoona, performs beautifully.

Foundation for a new dwelling was commenced by Samuel Shoop on his lot opposite the public school on West Church Street. The structure will be an Aladdin ready-cut house, with six rooms and bath, furnace heated and will be wired for electric service.

June 8, 1922 . . . The borough council met in regular session. A resolution on the death of Harry C. Shirk, a council member, was ordered drawn and placed upon the minutes. It was decided that hereafter the moneys received from the Underwriters' Association, through the state, be paid into the treasury of the Fire Company. The "Silent Policeman" was ordered repaired and replaced upon the diamond.

July 1, 1922 . . . The First National Bank of Centre Hall opened its doors today with H. Leigh Ebright as cashier; Daniel Daup, president; Frank E. Wieland, vice president and Frank V. Goodhart, secretary. Other directors of the institution are: L. Frank Mayes, Robert M. Smith, J. Cloyd Brooks, James L. Decker, Thomas F. Delaney, Arthur E. Kerlin, Edward Durst.

On April 18, of this year, the bank took over the Centre Reporter building and since that date have converted the residential section of the structure into very pleasant and substantial banking quarters.

Construction of the vault was completed middle of May under contract by J. Will Mayes, of Howard, with H. S. Smull of Rebersburg as foreman. The vault measures 7½x10 feet, on the interior,



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with an eight foot ceiling. The walls begin on a solid rock foundation at a depth of about five feet and are eighteen inches in thickness. The walls, floor and ceiling are reinforced with railroad iron, cut to proper lengths by acetylene flame. In the floor and ceiling the rails are spaced eight inches on center, in the walls the heavy irons were laid very closely.

The vault was built outside the original Reporter building, the building being then extended approximately twenty-five feet, covering the vault and providing for toilet and directors' room.

The volume of business enjoyed this, the first day, greatly exceeded the expectations of those interested as officers and the some seventy stockholders.

August 3, 1922 . . . The grain house and coal yards, of the late Robert D. Foreman were sold to William McClenahan, for many years Centre Hall's leading drayman. The buildings are located on Pennsylvania Railroad grounds under lease.

This business was originated about 1895 by B. D. Brisbin who, about two years later, sold it to George W. Ocker. In 1902 co-partnership was formed by R. D. Foreman and Wm. F. Floray, who took over the business from Mr. Ocker. A year later this firm sold to a new partnership between Mr. Foreman and Lyman L. Smith who conducted the business until 1910, during which year Mr. Foreman took over his partner's interest, continuing the business until his death, a few weeks ago.

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W. E. Bartges, Auctioneer - Centre Hall - Terms reasonable - satisfaction guaranteed - give me a trial.

October 14, 1922 . . . Mrs. E. L. Griffin of Johnstown fell dead this morning, after partaking of a hearty meal, in the Whiteman restaurant. While being assisted into an outer wrap by Mrs. Whiteman the unfortunate lady, who was in company with her husband and friends on a sight seeing auto trip, sank to the floor and in a few moments was dead. Her age was forty-one years.

John M. Luse sold his property in town to John E. Rishel, a farmer near Tusseyville. Mr. Luse erected the home about 1906.

October 12, 1922 . . . The teachers of the borough schools have prepared the following list of pupils enrolled in the grades and high school:

Primary

Muth Bailey
Robert Bradford

Loraine Brungart
Betty Ebright

Jack Coldron
Lawrence Hartley
Marvin Ishler
Jack McClenahan
Lee Meyer
Alfred Reish
Reuben Rickert
Donald Ruble
John Spyker
Harriet Bartges
Isabel Bradford

Ruth Hartley
Hazel Lutz
Dorothy McClenahan
Margaret Meyer
Doris Moltz
Sarah Odenkirk
Margaret Reese
Ruth Reiber
Gladys Smith
Verna Smith
Helen Weaver

Intermediate

Alfred Grove
Russell Goodhart
Clifford Meyer
Harold Bradford
Paul Martz
Clarence Meyer
Meredith Coldren
John Riter
George Riter
Fred Luse
Philip McClenahan
John Meeker
James Lutz
Bruce Smith

Richard Bailey
William Weaver
Bruce Hartley
Merrill Meyer
William Spyker
Catharine Martz
Thelma Brungart
Maude Reese
Kathryn Smith
Margaret Bradford
Sara Smith
Margaret Rudy
Myla Spyker

Grammar

Margaret Delaney
Mary Reiber
Helen Odenkirk
Margaret McClenahan
Helen Meyer
Hazel Potter
Ollie Gleixner
Genevieve Ruble
Evelyn Colyer
Adaline Dinges
Lois Packer
Helen Rines
Fay Reese
Marian Smith

Bruce Knarr
Eugene Colyer
Edith Moltz
Alice Woods
Esther Martz
Dorothy Packer
Emelyn Brungart
Louise Smith
Elizabeth Bartholomew
Alma Lutz
Elizabeth Gross
Elizabeth Bradford
Mav Smith
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 Wilbur McClellan
 John Meyer
 Joseph Ruble
 Robert McClenahan
 Russell Slack
 Russell Colyer

Mary Shreckengast
 Romie Smith
 Grace McClenahan
 Margaret Luse
 Estella Ruble
 Bertha Sharer
 Sara Runkle
 Ethel McClenahan
 Mary Mowery
 Dorothy Emerick
 Sarah Brungard

High

Vesta Blauser
 Ellen Burkholder
 Agnes Geary
 Charlotte Keller
 Ellen Meeker
 Gladys Packer
 Zella Ripka
 Mabelle Sharer
 Sara Snyder
 Laura Whteman
 Florence Zettle
 Vianna Zettle
 Harold Durst
 Albert Emery
 Paul Fetterolf
 Curtis Reiber
 Albert Smith
 Myles Snyder

George Cooney
 Marcellus Royer
 George Lutz
 Ruth Runkle
 Mary Weber
 Margaret Brown
 Grace Stump
 Mary Dutrow
 Vivian Packer
 Frances Brooks
 Sara Sweeney
 Ella Meiss
 Mabelle Detwiler
 Mildred Bitts
 Miriam Moore
 Margaret Alexander
 Ruth Grove

January 18, 1923 . . . A consignment of four leghorn hens and one cockerel was made to China by Kerlin's Poultry Farm of Centre Hall. The birds were sent to T. M. Hsi, a prominent banker and poultry fancier of Shanghai and will be in transit five weeks. The transportation charges from here to Shanghai were in excess of \$50. These charges include transcontinental express on stock and feed, marine insurance including mortality risk, fee for ship's butcher, ocean freight, etc.

March 22, 1923 . . . The Brisbin property has been sold to Warren Homan who will begin immediately to erect a garage to the north of the residence. The building will be constructed of concrete blocks, the work to be done by Byron Garis and his crew of men. The blocks will be made by John F. Kramer.

The Brisbin house is one of the first erected in Centre Hall. The lot was purchased out of the Christian Hoffer farm, which originally occupied nearly all the area now Centre Hall, by George Harpster, Sr. The house was erected by him in 1855 as was also a

business place nearby, to the north. This was a blacksmith and wagonmaker shop and was operated by Mr. Harpster until age incapacitated him. Upon his death the property was sold to William Wolf and by him to Mr. Brisbin.

There have been few tenants in this house. With Mr. Harpster lived Mr. and Mrs. William Emerick. Under Mr. Wolf's ownership, Amos Orndorf lived there a year and then it was purchased by Mr. Brisbin.

During the "eighties" a small two-story frame house was erected on the blacksmith shop site and was occupied by Mr. Brisbin's sister, Miss Belle Brisbin. Later it became the post office during the first term by Mr. Brisbin and was later moved to the rear of the larger dwelling house and made part of it.

May 17, 1923 . . . The stone crusher at the Chester A. Spyker stone quarry, near the station, is now being operated by electric power. Stone are now being crushed for chipping the road through Centre Hall.

May 21, 1923 . . . This morning an engine, tender and one passenger coach collided with a milk car opposite the Centre Hall railroad station, resulting in a pretty badly torn up track, damage to engine and milk car. The pony wheels and carriage of the engine and both trucks of the milk car were underneath the rear of the milk car. The special was returning from having taken a street carnival to Bellefonte.

The Metcalf "title law" provides that before November 24 every motor vehicle owned or operated within the state must be tilted, the owners receiving a certificate from the highway department, for which a \$2 fee is charged.

After that date the dealers must title the new cars at a fee of fifty cents and upon their sale the title of ownership will be transferred to the owner upon payment of the \$2.00.

The Dodge bus, used on the mail route from station to postoffice, is at your service for trips - day or night, at most reasonable rates. It has a capacity of 12 to 14 passengers; comfortable seating, easy riding. S. W. Smith..

July 6, 1923 . . . The borough council, in due form, passed an ordinance as of this date, defining certain types of disorderly conduct and providing penalties for violation ranging from \$2 to \$25

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and imprisonment. We reprint portions of the ordinance: . . . Any act causing danger, discomfort or annoyance to the inhabitants of the borough, or to users of the borough thoroughfares and shall include loafing, fighting, drunkenness, vagrancy, begging, the making of unnecessary noises, using of profane languages, the parking of automobiles or other vehicles within fifteen (15) feet on either side of any public or private fire hydrant or hydrants; the driving, stopping or parking of any automobile, truck or other vehicle on the left hand side of any street, lane or alley in the direction in which they are traveling; reckless driving . . . Parking cars, trucks, etc. except at an angle of 45 degrees with the curb or walk line.

We are inclined to feel that the various members of the borough council, when giving consideration to, and finally adopting the above ordinance, may have felt that the rooster crows loud but he never lays eggs; he just stalks around on his two-story legs. The gobbler puffs up as he gobbles and struts, but his wives do the work; they're demure little mutts. The male guinea shrieks, you can hear him a mile, but the guinea hen scratches where the horse left a pile. The peacock's the limit when strutting around. He lets out a sharp and defiant-like sound, but the smart little pea-hen just goes on her way and quietly watches her kiddies at play. The bull in the pasture with a ring in his nose roars like a torpedo. He frightens his foes, but Betsy the cow is as gentle as silk, 'Tis she who produces the bucket of milk.

One wagon wheel squeaks while another does not. The first one turns slowly and quickly gets hot; the other turns smoothly, no friction, no drag. - It helps, doesn't hinder, old Dobbin and Mag. When a mill makes a clattering, clamorous sound the hopper is empty. No grain's being ground. But when a mill purrs in a calm, quiet way it's turning out flour for your muffins today.

Yes, this is the story, a story so true. One well worth remembering by me and by you. The greater, the louder the noise, the lesser the men or the smaller the boys. So give me the steady, the calm-working crowd that watches its knitting and never is loud. The day will wind up with more hay in the mow, more corn in the crib and more land under plow.

September 20, 1923 . . . A number of local fight fans had the unique experience of listening to the Demnsev-Firpo heavyweight boxing match in New York Friday night, the 14th . . . It was at the Kerlin poultry farm that the fans heard the bedlam of the immense crowd at the fight; heard the cheering when the champion Demnsev and the challenger stepped into the ring; heard the announcer give the blow-by-blow account through the first round when both men were floored a number of times, - and the final count of "ten" which meant the end of Firpo.

It was the twentieth century wonder - the radio - that annihilated space and brought big New York City and little Centre Hall side by side.

October 18, 1923 . . . The house and lot in Centre Hall, opposite the Presbyterian Manse which has been occupied by Miss Sadie McKinney since the death of Dr. Geo. E. Lee, was sold to Arthur E. Kerlin.

November 6, 1923 . . . At today's election the bond issue for a new school building in Centre Hall carried by the overwhelming majority of 200 to 33. The issue was to increase the indebtedness from none to \$14,000.00.

Mrs. Belle Whiteman, who for several years has been conducting a restaurant in the hotel building, purchased the Harry E. Weaver property on West Church street, the purchase price reported to have been \$2100.00.

The Star Car has been in greater demand than any other first year car. The reason is that it provides, for the first time, everything you need in comfort and quality, at a low price. - Fetterolf's Garage, Centre Hall, Pa.

December 15, 1923 . . . The Mrs. James Alexander home was sold today to Thomas L. Smith, the present tenant, for \$3290.00. The Krumbine property, immediately north of the Presbyterian Manse, owned by Clifford S. Thomas, and long occupied by I. A. Sweetwood, was sold last week to Frederick K. Carter, a former resident of Centre Hall, now residing in Williamsport. Mr. and Mrs. Carter plan returning to town.

February 28, 1924 . . . What may some day, and probably in the very near future, be known as the Barefoot Addition to Centre Hall, was opened a few days ago when the first lot was sold to John F. Kramer, the concrete block manufacturer. The location lies to the north side of West Church St., and west to the public school building. Mr. Kramer contemplates the erection of a concrete block house for his own use.

March 5, 1924 . . . Under a new law all persons who desire to operate motor vehicles are required to pass an examination before license will be issued. This does not apply to persons who held a 1923 license. Today is the first day for holding examinations in Bellefonte.

I. A. Sweetwood, for many years a resident of Centre Hall and a successful state road builder, is preparing to move to Glenside, Montgomery County, and will continue road building under State supervision. The road from Philadelphia city limits through Glen-

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CENTER HALL

side to be his first consignment. Messrs. James and William, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Sweetwood, expect to remain in the Bellefonte office of the State Highway department.

April 3, 1924 . . . With but \$14,000 available for construction of the proposed new two-story school building, the Centre Hall School Board was required to reject all bids opened recently. The bidders and their figures were:

E. C. Miles, Bellefonte.....	\$22,195.00
W. S. Williams, Centre Hall.....	22,812.44
E. E. Sheffer, Jersey Shore.....	24,351.00
William Kennedy, State College.....	30,250.00

Plans are now being laid for submitting bids on a smaller structure, to come within the available cash, made possible through the bond issue approved at the recent election.

The borough school board, in acquiring a plot for the new high school bulding, did wisely in not only securing sufficent land for the building but had in mind that Centre Hall should have a play ground all its own,

The location is quite central, easily accessible, and is directly west of Hoffer Street, opposite the old foundry site. The land was purchased from the Arney farm and consists of approximately 4 acres. Plans are under connsideration for landscaping and laying out for play ground.

May 19, 1924 . . . The Centre Hall School Board opened bids for construction of the new high school building, plans having been revised, and the low bidder was W. S. Williams of Centre Hall at \$15,918.00.

July 1, 1924 . . . Today cross-country air mail service started. Bellefonte being the first stop cut of New York. The N. Y.-San Francisco line is the only one operated by the post office department and the postage rate is 8c per oz. per zone. There are three zones, hence an ordinary letter requires 24c postage from coast to coast. It requires 35 hours to cross the continent.

September 18, 1924 . . . H. E. Shreckengast, Auctioneer, Centre Hall - Good service at reasonable cost. No sale too small; none too large.

October 2, 1924 . . . Lyman L. Smith sold his garage business in Centre Hall to Walter Hosterman of State College. He will take possession by the first of the year. Mr. Hosterman is now the leading mechanic in the Snyder garage, State College.

October 9, 1924 . . . C. N. Hockman, Centre Hall - Fleischmann's Pure Dry Yeast added in small amounts to the daily poultry feed. will bring you more eggs - when egg prices are high! A \$1 trial package is enough for 100 hens for one and a half months.

Dr. W. B. Horter, Dentist of Harrisburg is in Centre Hall Tuesday of each week at his office in Centre Hall Hotel. Painless dentistry in all branches.

The construction of the new poultry plant being erected by C. Nevin Hockman near the railroad station is well under way. The dimensions are 27x102 feet, two stories, with basement under the whole in which will be placed incubators. Forty-six feet of the first floor will be fitted up for living quarters. The rear section of the second floor will contain office and store room, top floor for storage.

Nvember 11, 1924 . . . Howard Ritter, aged seventy years, died while seated in his car at the Homan Garage this noon. He drove to the garage from his home at the foot of Nittany mountain, dismounted and had air put in a tire. He complained of pains in his chest, entered the car and asked an attendant to crank the motor, which was done. It was then that discovery was made that Mr. Ritter, altho seated behind the wheel in a normal position, was dead.

January 29, 1925 . . . The Garbrick brothers, sons of Roy Garbrick west of Centre Hall made a tour through town with their auto-sled. Two light bobs comprise the sled feature. An airplane propeller is located at the rear end and is driven by an old automobile engine. It's a going vehicle, alright, and doesn't loaf on the road with the Garbricks in control

February 12, 1925 . . . Chas. T. Crust, Centre Hall, Pa. - For sale - Single Comb R. I. Cockerels - Price \$2.50 to \$10.

March 12, 1925 . . . In the "Centre Reporter", issue of this date appears reproduction of a farmer's sale bill, adverstising his "clean-up" sale to take place in 1849. We present a portion of the items here that are not frequently listed in farm sales in this day and age:

"Having sold my farm and as I am leaving for Oregon Territory by oxen team on March 1, 1849, I will sell all my personal property except two oxen teams, Buck and Ben, Lon and Jerry, consisting of the following:

One pair oxen, one yoke, 2 ox carts, 1 iron plow with wood mole board, 1500 ten-foot fence rails, 85 white ash sugar troughs, 10 gals. maple syrup, 2 spinning wheels 1 large loom made by Jerry Wilson, 1 32-gal. barrel of Johnson-Miller whiskey, 7 years old,

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20 gals. apple brandy, 1 40-gal. copper still, 4 sides of oak-tanned leather, 1 doz. wooden pitch forks, 1 rifle, bullet molds and powder horn, 6 head of fox hounds, all soft mouthed but one.

At the same time I will sell my six negro slaves: 2 men, 35 and 50 years old; 2 boys 12 and 18 years old; 2 mulatto wenches, 30 and 40 years old.

Terms: Cash in hand or note to draw 4 percent interest with Bob McConnell security. Sale begins at 8 a. m. - plenty to eat and drink."

March 20, 1925 . . . Arthur D. Himes, chairman with a State Highway Dept. surveying corps, was electrocuted this afternoon when the metal tape he was carrying came in contact with a high tension wire while he was making a survey for the proposed new highway over Nittany Mountain. He was about 26 years old.

Arthur Holderman, Centre Hall - I am agent for the J. I. Case Co. Tractors and other Farm Machinery. If interested, call me and I will see you at once.

W. F. Rishel, Centre Hall - Leola Hog Feeders, Circular Brooder Houses . . Protect your chicks by using a circular brooder house.

April 9, 1925 . . . The Post Office room at Centre Hall has been enlarged by more than fifty percent by extending the room to the rear. Postmaster R. M. Smith states that his office has done sufficient business to place it from third to a second class office. There are but two other second class offices in Centre County - Bellefonte and Philipsburg. State College is the only first class office in the county.

April 16, 1925 . . . Contract for the building of reinforced concrete road over Nittany Mountain, beginning in front of the Dauberman residence in Centre Hall and extending 11,379 feet to the brick road at the watering trough was awarded to Reitz Brothers, Sunbury on their bid of \$121,106.00.

April 23, 1925 . . . A cyclonic wind storm played havoc in this territory Sunday the 19th. Beginning its destruction at State College and ending at Centre Hill, about twelve miles due east, this storm was the most destructive on local record.

At Centre Hill the large farm barn and straw shed, owned by Lloyd R. Smith was almost completely demolished and all out-buildings on the Strohm farm, now owned by James C. Goodhart. \$4000.00. Several hundred feet east of this barn are located the buildings on the Srohm farm, now owned by James C. Goodhart. The roof of the barn was completely removed and considerable other damage done.

Th barn and straw shed on the Walker farm, a short distance west of Pine Stump school house along the Brush Valley road

leading west from Centre Hall, was also completely wrecked. The farm was very recently sold by William Walker to Morris A. Burkholder who continues, at this time, as tenant on the A. H. Spayd farm at Earlstown. The loss is quite heavy. The brick house on this farm was but slightly damaged, much of the light timber of the barn being carried over the house and strewn in fields. West of this place, the barn on the Felding farm, recently acquired by Wallace White was totally wrecked. East of the White farm the roof was ripped from the barn on the Henry Potter farm, and other damage done to the structure. Ira Whiteman lives on the place.

The barn on the William Brooks farm, tenanted by his son Guy Brooks, and located but a short distance from the Burkholder place, was unroofed. This was the original Major Neff homestead. Nearby the barn owned by Clyde E. Dutrow on the farm tenanted by his son-in-law, Raymond Walker, was partially unroofed.

Richard Brooks, who owns and occupies the Christ Houser farm had a portion of the roof of his barn removed and a large stack of boards at his saw mill was chased all through the woods, much of it broken and split, rendering it unfit for use.

The A. H. Spayd barn was partially unroofed. One of the flying timbers struck and killed a valuable cow, the property of the tenant, Morris Burkholder. Numerous other farm buildings, within the path of the storm, were slightly damaged.

At State College slight damage was done to buildings but many trees on the campus were uprooted and much damage was done to a 100-acre apple orchard.

Edward Watkins and his eight year old son were seriously injured when their house at Millbrook, east of State College, was blown across the road.

The storm did great damage in the Kishacoquillas valley section of Mifflin County. Buildings were torn and twisted and in many cases completely destroyed. The greatest single loss was sustained by Fultz & Martz, owners of the Belleville flour mill. As a result of the storm the building was set on fire by a short-circuited electric wire. New machinery, as a result of a previous fire, had just recently been installed. Twenty thousand bushels of grain, 1300 barrels of flour, 300 tons of feed were destroyed, along with the machinery and building. Loss: \$100,000.00.

A beacon light was received by Postmaster. R. M. Smith from

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LEWISBERG, PA.

the aerial mail service to be held in storage until called for by a representative of the government service who will install it on top of Nittany Mountain to light the way to the air mail field, east of Bellefonte.

April 20, 1925 . . . The sudden death of William J. Smith this evening between five and six p. m. was a shock to all his acquaintances, and especially to his foster mother, Mrs. Flora O. Bairfoot, with whom he had lived since a mere boy. "Bill", as he was known to his host of friends, was mowing the lawn to the side of the house when he was noticed to seat himself on a box covering a pave-wash and instantly falling to the ground. He was promptly carried to the house and in less than ten minutes Dr. Hugh Morrow arrived and immediately pronounced him dead. The deceased was a brother to Thomas L. Smith of this place and was in his fifty-third year.

Cussing must be done forcibly, to be effective. This hardens the mouth, wrinkles the brow and brings on premature old age. An angry face is never beautiful . . . That is why there are so few good looking men, and why women should not cuss.

July 4, 1925 . . . Tuesday evening a trial trip was made on the P. R. R. branch between Sunbury and Bellefonte with a two-coach train driven by a powerful gasoline motor. The train moved along in fine form. At a distance the motor whir very much sounded like the flying plane.

The following young people contributed flowers for use in decorating the veterans' graves on Memorial Day:

Gladys White, Georgt Reiber, Lois Reese, Doris Meltz, Roberta Smith, Marion Smith, Sarah Smith, Miriam Gross, Donald Coldren, Jack Coldren, Ruth Reiber, Mary Reiber, Kathryn Mae Martz, Lawrence Bender, Frank Rines, Miriam Mitterling, Alice Spyker.

Native brown stone, to harmonize with the church edifice, will be used in the construction of the new Reformed parsonage, for which stone masons are now laying the foundation walls.

June 25, 1925 . . . At a recent meeting of the Centre Hall school board, Jacob F. Wetzel was elected to the principalship of the Centre Hall High School at a salary of \$200.00 a month. Mr. Wetzel is a young man of thirty-four years, is married and has one child. He comes highly recommended. His experience extends over a period of eleven years divided as follows: Assistant principal of Middleburg High School, one year; Supervising principal of Paxtang borough schools, one year; past nine years principal of West Beaver Township schools, McClure.

With the election of Harold E. Stong, of Altoona, the faculty of the high school is complete. Miss Sara Neff is the other teacher.

July 23, 1925 . . . Of more than two hundred New York tenement district children sent to Centre County for two weeks, at the

expense of the New York Tribune, about thirty found their entertainment places in and about Centre Hall. A special train, carrying more than one thousand kiddies left New York City at 8:00 o'clock in the evening of Thursday of last week, arriving in Bellefonte at 9:45 the following morning. From there the Centre Hall and adjacent contingent were conveyed by the Emerick auto bus, reaching Centre Hall at 12:30 p. m. The children were met by their hosts and hostesses and then turned over, in personal charge of them, by the attendants.

With scarcely an exception the children are handsome, bright, of lovely disposition and adapted themselves to their new and radically different environment with the least possible embarrassment to their hosts. They at once made friends with the children of the town.

July 30, 1925 . . . James Sweetwood, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac A. Sweetwood of Norristown who, until recent years was a resident of Centre Hall was drowned in Perkiomen Creek, near Norristown, on Sunday, July 26th at about 4 o'clock. The body was not recovered until Tuesday evening.

While shooting the rapids in a canoe at the dam at Indian Head Park, James and two companions were thrown into a whirlpool, caused by the flooded condition of the creek. A desperate effort was made to rescue the young man but before his companions could reach him, he had disappeared from sight. Hundreds of persons witnessed the tragedy but were unable to render assistance. The body will rest in the Centre Hall cemetery.

August 13, 1925 . . . After many years of faithful service as teacher of the primary grade. Miss Helen Bartholomew, although elected to serve the coming term, has resigned. It is her intention to discontinue the profession. To fill the vacancy, Miss Mary Zerby, of Spring Mills, has been elected. Miss Zerby is now finishing her course at the Lock Haven Normal and had taught previously in the Petter Township schools.

August 27, 1925 . . . The Reformed parsonage was sold on Saturday, at public sale, to James Searson for \$2750.00 He and Mrs. Searson and baby daughter will occupy their new home as soon as Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Keener will be able to vacate, which will be when the new parsonage, now under construction, is completed.

The structure sold was built about 1886, during the pastorate of Rev. T. S. Land. B. D. Brisbin having had the contract.

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MILLHEIM, PA.

Woodrow Bradford, seven year old son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Milton Bradford was painfully injured Saturday evening while crossing the street opposite the Oriole Store. While in the act of waving good-bye to a number of his little friends he was run down by a slowly moving auto, the car passing completely over him, but without the wheels hitting him. "Woody" was up on his feet promptly but more than a dozen stitches were required, in the office of Dr. Hugh Morrow, to care for the long, deep gash over the forehead and back over the head.

Mr. Walers, an employee at the Burnham steel works and driver of the car rendered every possible aid and Monday called at the Bradford home to learn of the boy's condition.

October 15, 1925 . . . Air mail pilot, Charles H. Ames, lost since Thursday night, October 1, has been found. The body still sitting in the pit of the badly wrecked plane, was found on Nittany Mountain, several miles east of the Bellefonte aviation field, and about half a mile from the Hecla Park beacon light, by John DeArmitt, a 15 year old lad who was one of a searching party of twenty-four men and boys.

Both wings were torn from the machine and the big Liberty motor was split in two, lengthwise. Ames was one of the veterans of the service, having joined in 1920.

October 22, 1925, . . . The Sheffield Farms Company is making good headway in construction of their milk plant on the side of the stockade erected by the white settlers prior to the Revolutionary war, which location is a few hundred feet north of the marker at Old Fort. The plant construction is under the supervision of Ernest Adam, who now resides in Centre Hall. The structure will be 80x44 feet, with a seven foot platform along the 44 foot length next to the railroad siding. The basement will be of reinforced concrete and will accommodate the boilers, milk receiving department, ice making machinery, etc.

November 5, 1925 . . . Two hundred ninety-four voters entered the voting booth at Centre Hall yesterday. Local results follow: Judge of Election: J. L. Tressler; Inspector: Dora Odenkirk; Constable: John Whiteman; Assessor: J. S. Rowe; Councilmen: W. H. Homan, M. L. Emerick, A. H. Spayd; Tax Collector: C. D. Bartholomew; Auditor: Thos. L. Moore; Overseer of Poor: John Heckman; Justice of the Peace: Cyrus Brungart; School Directors: John G. Dauberman, F. P. Geary.

November 12, 1925 . . . The borough is to be posted with speed limit signs every eighth mile. Measurements were made for that purpose Saturday by County Surveyor, H. B. Shattuck, an assistant from State College, two paid local men and several councilmen. To conduct a speed trap the borough must be properly posted, with signs, lettering, etc. in size to conform to the law.

D. C. Mitterling - A good suit is the outward symbol of success. It will cost you no more to have it custom made. Will come to your home to take measurements, if requested.

Wilbur Bland - I will have a fresh supply of fish and oysters by Saturday. Oysters in cans, by the pint or quart.

A. E. Kerlin arrived in town this week, from St. Petersburg, Florida and will return within a week. He came up to give personal attention to a business transaction. He and Mrs. Kerlin so well like Florida that they have purchased a bungalow, well located in the inter-bay section of St. Petersburg and will occupy same shortly after Christmas.

January 7, 1926 . . . The home located west side of Penna. Ave. near the railroad, owned and occupied by C. W. Slack was sold last week to merchant, C. F. Emery. Mr. Emery's son, Albert Emery, wife and baby daughter will occupy the place about April 1st.

Mr. Slack purchased the property six years ago from Alfred Durst and during that time installed electric lights, bath and furnace.

A new place of business opened in Centre Hall on New Year's eve, known as Homan's Restaurant and Pool Room, in the Bartholomew building. The restaurant is nicely appointed and is altogether a very creditable business place. It is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Warren Homan. Mr. Homan is a son of the late Henry Homan.

The brick house erected in the early seventies by the late Frederick Kurtz, who established The Centre Reporter in Centre Hall in 1868, was sold by C. W. Swartz of State College to I. Clymer McClenahan. It is Mr. McClenahan's intention to make a store room out of a portion of it, and the remainder to continue as a residence.

The property was purchased from the Kurtz heirs by Dr. H. F. Bitner, who sold it to Frank M. Fisher and about a year ago the latter sold to Mr. Swartz.

February 4, 1926 . . . The property owned by Mrs. Anna Slack was sold last Saturday, at public auction, to Fred Bender, the Raleigh Products salesman. Mr. Bender, who has been living in the hotel property, purchased the house for his own use.

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THE OLDE-TYME BREAD BAKERS

BELLEFONTE, PA.

March 11, 1926 . . . The "Star Store", established by George O. Benner in 1889, was sold by him this week to Charles L. Cupples of Lewistown. Mr. Cupples also leased the building, popularly known as the "Flat Iron" by the depot.

Mr. Benner began business in a little store room, almost opposite his present residence, in an exceedingly modest way. In time his business grew, the present site purchased and the store building moved onto it. Later it was enlarged to its present size, a building creditable to the town. Mr. Benner plans to live retired, after many years close to his business which was conducted strictly on a cash basis, a feature that proved a large factor in his ultimate success.

April 29, 1926 . . . The following lines, with slight exception, do not appear in chronological order but are reproduced, as found in the issue of the "Centre Reporter" of this date:

Since the latter part of last year the Post Office Department is spelling the name of our town "CentRE" - instead of "CentER" Uncle Sam has at last learned how to spell, 'cause we have been spelling it the RIGHT way, - the way all others have been spelling it since the town was incorporated into a borough, - in fact since the village was founded in 1846.

In this connection it may be of interest to note some of the details connected with the establishment of a post office at Centre Hall and its removal from Old Fort, which occurred back in the early "fifties". The Centre Hall Hotel building (now the Runkle Hotel) had been erected in 1846 by the late Henry Witmer, and a store was opened in a portion of the building by his son-in-law, William Wolf. Centre Hall was bidding for home-makers, but with the post office a mile south, it was a severe drawback. Young men, looking forward, were not sure which point - Centre Hall or Old Fort - might develop into a town. The Harpster brothers, Jacob, George and Samuel, were wagon and buggy builders, and were casting about for sites to establish themselves in business.

They went to George Odenkirk, who then owned the Old Fort Hotel and conducted it and also owned the large farm surrounding it, with the idea of buying several lots opposite the hotel. Mr. Odenkirk consulted with his friend and neighbor, James Brisbin, who strongly recommended selling the lots, believing that with the post office there, Old Fort would have a greater advantage over its rival, - Centre Hall. Mr. Odenkirk decided to not sell, however, shrinking from the thought of cutting up his fine farm into build-

ing lots. The Harpsters then purchased lots in Centre Hall, the sites now occupied by C. D. Bartholmew, the Boozer Garage, and William F. Colyer on Pennsylvania Avenue (locally called Main Street) and on Church Street the lots now owned by D. A. Poozer and Charles M. Arney. These were all improved, business places erected on three of them and dwellings on four.

Political influence, then as now, has considerable influence when it comes to post office matters and the Harpster brothers, with assistance of Messrs. Witmer and Wolf succeeded in influencing the powers at Washington to transfer the post office from Old Fort to Centre Hall and appoint William Wolf postmaster.

And so it was that the Postmaster General spelled the name C-e-n-t-e-r and all succeeding Postmaster Generals followed the spelling, although no one locally did, until a few months ago.

May 6, 1926 . . . A thirty by thirteen inch Farrell jaw stone crusher is being placed in position at the Spyker stone quarry near the railroad station. The crusher will be located at the end of the present tipple, and with the installation of a three-section, forty inch revolving screen and a fifty foot belt elevator, the stone will be handled with a minimum of hand labor. A set of bins, having a capacity of 250 tons will also be erected.

June 3, 1926 . . . This morning at 7 o'clock a large balloon was observed floating over Centre Hall and finally landed east of town on the Jacob Sharer farm. The basket attached was occupied by four men - Lieut. Roman J. Miller, U. S. Air Service; Lieut. J. Curtis, U. S. N.; Lieut. Carl Shuman, Ensign John Bell. The party breakfasted with Mr. and Mrs. Sharer, on ham and eggs.

The balloon is what is known as the free type and required 35,000 feet of hydrogen gas to inflate it. The trip was made as part of officer training in the air service. The party left their headquarters at Lakehurst, N. J. Wednesday evening at 6:50, passed over Philadelphia, Lancaster, Harrisburg, landed at Spring Mills at 5:30 a. m. The air was taken again and the second landing was made as noted above. They later crossed Nittany Mountain and again landed at the Bellefonte air field.

August 26, 1926 . . . I. C. McClenahan - we want you to come in see this Washing Machine - The New HAAG VORTEX . . It is a sound investment.

September 2, 1926 . . . Monday afternoon, August 30th, Lieut. Cyrus K. Bettis became lost in his plane while flying over the Seven Mountains, in a dense fog, striking Bald Mountain and completely wrecking the plane. With a broken leg, crushed jaw and numerous bruises, the flier crept about one and a half miles to the State road. Here he was picked up by Ralph Snyder and Russell Sweetwood at 8:00 o'clock Wednesday morning and rushed to the Centre

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STATE COLLEGE, PA.

County hospital. Thursday, Lieut. Bettis was transported to a government hospital in Washington by ambulance plane.

The Spangler property, on West Church Street, was sold by the Spangler estate to Charles W. Slack, east of Centre Hall, who with Mrs. Slack and their son Russell, will occupy it.

The house was erected some time prior to 1870 by Alexander Shannon, at that time a justice of the peace here.

October 7, 1926 . . . A hunting party left Centre Hall this morning at 2:30 o'clock. The personnel is: Edgar Miller, F. V. Goodhart, Ray Mark and W. W. Kerlin of Centre Hall and Dr. Austin Robison of Bellefonte. The objective point is northern Maine, in Arrostook County, north of the Machias river district. The party will be gone two weeks.

November 18, 1926 . . . An eagle with a spread over the wings of seven feet, one inch and from beak to tip of tail three feet, was killed on Saturday by Gardner Grove on the Lieb tract on Nittany Mountain, east of town. The bird has a wonderful beak and talons.

December 25, 1926 . . . The community enjoyed a Christmas festival of song, worship and entertainment in which the true Christmas spirit prevailed. The festival began Thursday evening in the Lutheran church with the Cantata: "King of Kings and Lord of All". Mrs. Alberta Krader of Bellefonte, directing.

The following took part in the rendition of the cantata:

SOPRANOS

Mrs. S. F. Greenhoe	Mrs. Frank M. Fisher	Mrs. Harry Potter
Mrs. J. F. Wetzel	Mrs. C. H. Homan	Mrs. J. F. McClellan
Mrs. J. H. Puff	Mrs. Paul Fetterolf	Miss Vianna Zettle
Mrs. Chas. H. Smith	Miss Elizabeth Gross	Mrs. J. W. Bradford
Miss Verna Rowe	Mrs. W. Alexander	Miss Agnes Geary
Miss Kath. Martz	Miss Esther Martz	Miss Lenora Foust
Miss Alma Lutz	Miss Bertha Sharer	Miss K. Goodhart
Mrs. Ernest Homan	Miss Sarah Smith	Miss Martha Boal
Miss Louise Smith	Mrs. M. Godshall	Mrs. T. L. Moore
Mrs. C. A. Spyker	Mrs. John Coldron	Miss Algie Emery

ALTOS

Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk	Mrs. George Benner	Mrs. William Fiedler
Mrs. Alma Rickert	Mrs. F. V. Goodhart	Mrs. J. S. Boozer
Mrs. W. W. Kerlin	Miss Laura Runkle	

TENORS

Rev. J. Kirkpatrick	J. Harold Durst	F. Kryder Frank
Bruce H. Knarr	Robert P. Campbell	Frank P. Geary
Frank M. Fisher	Charles S. Smith	

BASSES

William C. Boozer	Edward E. Bailey	William W. Kerlin
Floyd E. Snyder	H. Leigh Ebright	Edw. W. Crawford
George Luse	Elwood Smth	Wilbur McClellan
Samuel Gross	William F. Floray	

ACCOMPANIST—Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick

The community Christmas tree service was held around the tree located on the diamond on Friday evening. The tree was decorated and lighted to give real Christmas cheer to the hundreds of children and grown-ups who attended the service. There was carol singing as well as cornet solos, duets, quartettes, and band music. Then the distribution of a Christmas package to every child under the age of twelve that personally called upon the official Santa Claus, who was neither difficult to see or be heard.

Yes, we had a Santa Claus and here let us reprint the famous editorial of the New York Sun:

Dear Editor: I am eight years old, Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in the Sun, it's so". Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus? - Virginia O'Hanlon

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticisms of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be that is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist; and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there would be no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the



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chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not: but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view the picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus? Thank God! he lives; and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia; nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of children.

January 20, 1927 . . . Elsewhere in this book, under a special department relating to the major fires in the town, you will read of the destruction of the Hosterman garage. Nothing, however, is so serious, as a rule, that it does not have its humorous side and this instance was no exception.

William F. Colyer, living nearby, just forgot how many socks it required to dress for a fire. This is the dialogue reported to have taken place in the Colyer home:

SCENE I: Says William: "Where are my socks?"

Wife: "You have them in your hand."

William: "That's all right; I have two of them, where's the other one?"

SCENE II: W. Abner Alexander, who lives across the street from the burning building became much confused in his attempt to watch the leaping flames with one eye and keep the other eye directed towards his attempt at getting hurriedly into his clothes, for those who saw him early give their word of honor that, according to his clothing adjustment, he should have been going down town when he went up!

February 24, 1927 . . . The home of the late William E. Tate, located south of Grange Arcadia, was sold at public sale on Saturday as was also the personal property. Henry Potter purchased the home for \$4300.

The Tate property was built by Charles W. Slack in 1901. Building material was cheap then, the rough lumber having been bought

for \$8.00 per thousand feet. Mr. Slack sold the place to Perry Breon for \$1135. Mr. Breon improved the house and built a good stable. The place was later purchased by Benjamin H. Arney for \$2800 and Mr. Tate's investment was \$3200.00.

March 17, 1927 . . . During the past week two business places have changed hands. The Hosterman garage, together with the building was sold by W. R. Hosterman to Ralph Hagan, who had been in Mr. Hosterman's employment all of the time he conducted the business here.

The other change was the sale of the W. A. Homan restaurant and pool room, in the Bartholomew building, to D. Cleveland Mitterling. Mr. Homan will hereafter give his attention to the Homan Garage, across the street from his former place of business. Mr. Mitterling will close his pool room, in the I. O. O. F. building, which he has conducted for several years.

April 7, 1927 . . . Mrs. John F. Kreamer sold her home on West Church Street to Richard Brooks. The home is a substantial concrete block structure, bungalow type, and was built but a few years ago by the late Mr. Kreamer.

On and about the beginning of the month a number of families have moved to other localities and others within the borough. Those moving out of town were: Prof. Raymond Miller to State College; Daniel Bloom to the Bartholomew farm west of town; Jas. H. McCool to a tenant house on his farm south of here. The incoming families were Chas. W. Slack and Henry White, both of whom had previously purchased homes here, and Frank Smith, who is employed at the Fetterolf garage . . . Movings strictly within the borough were confined to Howard Spangler from the Spangler home to rooms in the Penns Valley Banking Company's building; Mrs. Wm. Reese from the White home to the Benner property; C. J. Harter from the Logan House to the place vacated by J. H. McCool.

May 27, 1927 . . . W. W. Kerlin, local poultryman, is operating a cine camera and projector. The first reels of several hundred feet are now being developed in Rochester and when shown will be the first films made and shown of local persons "in action".

June 2, 1927 . . . George William Potter was found dead at the Homan garage Saturday morning by James Foust, a garage workman. While enroute from his home to his work on the State road on Nittany mountain he was seen to enter the garage, mentioned above. His body was found, seated in the rear of the garage, two

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hours later. Mr. Potter celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday two days previous, at which time a special supper had been given in commemoration of the event.

Measures were taken in the various Sunday schools to again send boys and girls to camps for training in leadership.

The Reformed church will send Alma Lutz to Camp Kenesatake, on Spruce creek, and Fay Bradford and Bruce Knarr, members of the same Sunday school, will again be sent to the same camp by private parties.

The Lutheran Sunday school vouched to again return Wilbur McClellan to the State camp named above. George Luse and Eugene Colyer will be new campers there from this school and Fred Luse and Russell Colyer have been provided scholarships to a Lutheran camp at Selinsgrove.

The Methodist Sunday school will send three boys - William and John Spyker and William Campbell - to their denominational camp at Mount Union.

The Presbyterian Sunday school will send Emelyn Brungart as their representative to Spruce Creek camp.

June 23, 1927 . . . Saturday evening, a sedan driven by Burns Stover of Coleville, hit little six year old Sarah Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown Hackett, knocked her over, dragging her a few feet before the car could be stopped. A profuse flow of blood from a cut on the child's forehead led those nearby to believe the injury serious, but on examination by Dr. Morrow it was discovered not to be so, although several stitches were required to dress the wound. The child also received a bruised hand and hip. All possible assistance was rendered by Mr. Stover, who was not at fault.

October 20, 1927 . . . The Rev. W. R. Picken home, opposite the grade school house on W. Church Street, was sold Saturday to H. G. Strohmeier, the tombstone manufacturer, whose establishment is nearby. The price paid was \$3200.00. This home was built during 1912-1913 by Samuel Shoop and was sold by him to Rev. Picken for \$2000.00.

November 1, 1927 . . . The borough election resulted, locally, as follows: Judge of Election: W. H. Potter; Inspector: Verna Rowe; Auditor: Lettie Brungart; Councilmen: W. A. Alexander, D. M. Bradford, George Searson, W. A. Homan; School Directors: Chester A. Spyker, D. K. Keller.

The highest vote ever polled in Centre Hall borough was out at Tuesday's election, there being a total of 307 votes cast. Lyman Smith, Centre Hall's candidate for County Treasurer, received the largest vote ever accorded a candidate in the borough - 252. Lyman was also successful throughout the County, being elected to the responsible office, polling a total of 7094 - 920 more than his opponent.

Centre Hall has been quite successful in sending her "Smiths" to Bellefonte as county officials . . . It was back in the fall of 1911 that Centre Hall, with the aid of a substantial majority of the voters in the County, sent J. Frank Smith, the merchant, to Bellefonte to serve the county as Register. Of the total borough votes cast for him and his opponent, Mr. Smith received over ninety percent.

November 16, 1927 . . . In Pennsylvania State College library may be found a description of a trip made from Philadelphia to Youngstown, Ohio, one hundred and eighteen years ago this month. A portion of the journal, referring to this immediate section reads:

"We began to ascend Nittany mountain which is four miles over and as rough a road as ever man traveled with a wagon, and continued three miles to Bellefonte, the capital of Centre County. Bellefonte has four stores and nine taverns."

One hundred eighteen years ago the road over Nittany mountain was by the Gregg route. At Potters Mills the road lead west of the present state road, passing through Earlytown to the mountain at Gregg's.

February 2, 1928 . . . Blow your horn! - The requirement that an audible warning with a horn, or other warning devise, be used when approaching any curve when the view is obstructed within a distance of 200 feet cannot be too greatly emphasized, as in case of a collision the operator who fails to give such warning will be civilly and criminally liable.

Dr. Hugh Morrow is the only physician serving the territory of Potter Township and Centre Hall borough and is capable, thanks to the modern "gas buggy", to care for the needs of his patients satisfactorily.

Back in 1876 there were five physicians located and practicing in the same territory. In Centre Hall, which was not then an incorporated borough, lived Dr. Peter Neff, Dr. J. F. Alexander and Dr. William Runkle while north of town resided Dr. Peter Smith while Dr. Fred Moyer lived at Potters Mills. In those early days calls were made on foot by horse back, sulky or buggy. Fees ranged from 12½c to seldom over \$1.00 and when the stork arrived the proud and happy father was usually required to part

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The following entries, taken from the book accounts of one of the physicians noted above, are interesting to note. The years in which these entries were made were from 1848 to 1850:

TO:

Medicine for four children	.50
Worm tea	.25
One 2-oz. powder	.31½
visit and powders	.37½
4-oz. physic mixture	.50
accouchement, visits, calling and consultations	5.00
8-oz. medicine	.75
8-oz. best medicine	1.00
drawing a tooth	.12½
dressing toe and large box salve	.25
drawing blood by "cupping"	.12½
cupping him and drawing her tooth	.37½
visit, bleeding several and powders for him	2.50

The above items give a very fair cross section of the charge accounts. Now, let us take a look into the methods of payment in those days. Occasionally we find an entry indicating the patient actually paid cash. In most instances, however, we find credits such as these:

BY:

one day topping corn	.50
3½ bushels oats	1.31¼
5 bu. corn on ears	1.25
one chair	5.00
1 pr kid gloves	.37½
1 pr silk mittens	.37½
one load of hay	5.00
3 days chopping wood	2.25
leading one cow to Centre Hall	.50
1 day digging potatoes	.62½
one day washing - by Mrs.	.50
half a sheep skin	.37½
making 1 pr pants	1.25
one day butchering	.50

March 15, 1928 . . . Centre Hall will lose two trains in the near future. Those to be withdrawn are No. 8530 from Bellefonte, arriving at 7:05 a. m. and No. 8535 from Montandon, arriving at 3:52 p. m.

Harold Durst of Centre Hall, in company with several other electricians from Pleasant Gap, have left for Cleveland, Ohio where they will be employed several weeks on the electrical work in con-

nection with the beacon lights to be constructed by the Federal government between Cleveland and Detroit.

April 12, 1928 . . . Vol. 1 No. 1 of "The Tattler", was distributed among the student body of the Centre Hall High School. Friday of last week. It is the official school paper, 8½x11 inches in size, twelve pages, illustrated by drawings by the pupils. Following are a few items appearing in the initial issue:

THE STAFF: Business Manager. Goldie Stover; Editor-in-Chief, Ernest Wagner; Assistant Editors, Elwood Smith, Algie Emery; Current Events Editor: Margaret Luse; Grinogram Editor, Joseph Ramer; Athletic News Editor, Harold Bradford; School Artist, Paul Palmer; Freshman Artist, William Beaver; Freshman News Editor, Mary Reiber; Sophomore Artist, Walter Wilkinson; Sophomore News Editor, Harold Bradford; Junior Artist, Paul Palmer; Junior News Editor, Myla Spyker; Senior Artist, Joseph Ramer; Senior News Editor, Alma Andrews.

ATHLETIC NEWS: Captain Ralph Houser and Manager Ernest Wagner are arranging a schedule for the base ball season. In soccer we won 4, lost 1 and tied 1. We were the first Centre Hall soccer team to defeat Gregg Township High in five years.

FRESHMAN CLASS: Richard Bailey has developed the habit of constantly reporting "100 percent" as his daily mark in algebra. Margaret Bradford is recovering, as rapidly as can be expected, after having undergone a serious operation, - the removal of one of her baby teeth.

SOPHOMORE CLASS: Walter Wilkinson has a permanent seat in history and geometry classes, near Mr. Neff's desk. Luke Jordan invariably finds it neccessary to say "100 percent" for geometry marks.

JUNIOR CLASS: The shrubbery, which was planted two years ago by the present Junior class, improves the appearance to the front of the High School building. We hope the classes to follow will continue to improve the school grounds . . . "Kay" Goodhart has met with much success in her fishing, as a Herring has been sampling the bate of her charms.

SENIOR CLASS: The Senior Officers are: President, Elwood Smith; vice-pres., Margaret Luse; secretary, Fay Bradford; treasurer, Beatrice Brown . . Prof. Wetzel took the entire Senior class

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to Bellefonte, on the 8th, for the purpose of attending a session of court. It was interesting and instructive.

April 26, 1928 . . . At an administrator's sale, on Friday, a lot on Penna. Avenue was sold to D. C. Mitterling for \$1,000.00. Mr. Mitterling has in mind the erection of a dwelling for his own use. The lot was the property of the late Miss Emma McCoy.

May 10, 1928 . . . The most destructive snow storm in this section in many years was experienced during the last few days of April. Greatest damage was to telephone and electric light and power lines. All communication was cut off between here and Bellefonte and exchanges east. Many poles were broken down and wires lying over the highways. The telephone line from here to Potters Mills was almost entirely wrecked. This condition existed throughout Centre County and west to Pittsburgh. Depth of the snow varied, in the valley, from 17 to 20 inches with eight to ten inches greater depth in the mountains. The town was without electric service for 58 consecutive hours.

Some idea of the tremendous damage done to the Bell Telephone Co. may be gained by the amount of supplies shipped in. The storm did its greatest damage between 2 o'clock and daylight, Saturday morning, April 28th. Wind, which followed the snowfall, did the trick. The wet, sticky snow clung to the wires. A slight fall in temperature clinched the snow's grip on the wires and then when the gale of wind came in the early morning hours, the poles snapped and the laden wires fell in a twisted mass. Though the Altoona-Tyrone district suffered heaviest, local damage was plenty.

Monday three express car loads of supplies and equipment arrived for the Bell Co. at the Philipsburg office. There were 1,355 packages or bundles, total weight being 123,422 pounds. Considerable more material is due to arrive later.

July 12, 1928 . . . During a heavy rain storm a Stinsen-Detroit plane landed in an oats field on the Charles Stoner farm, tenanted by Homer Neff, a short distance west of Tusseyville. The plane was on its way from Atlantic City to Chicago and, while crossing the Seven Mountains, west of Potters Mills gap, ran into fog and rain, shutting out all vision. After flying blind for a while the pilot decided to attempt a landing, with results as noted above.

The following morning Franklin McClellan and Edgar Miller were favored by being given an opportunity to see Nittany and Penns Valleys from the sky, the plane having been lifted from the field and landed at the Bellefonte field from which point the flights were taken.

W. W. Kerlin, local poultryman, then joined the party, which consisted of Lieut. Harold R. Mull, Alabama National Guard pilot; Joseph J. Alvin, representing the South Bend, (Indiana) Tribune; Casimir Geudes and Tony Molnar, both of South Bend, and flew with them to Chicago.

The Pontiac car stolen from the Clyde Dutrow garage, in town, where it had been parked for the night by his son-in-law, Leroy Smeltzer, of State College, was found the following day in the woods to the east of the Peter's auto junk yards, north of Pleasant Gap. It is presumed an escaped colored prisoner, from Rockview Penitentiary had stolen the car. He drove to Mifflinburg, as evidence appears, at which point he asked for directions to reach a city in western Pennsylvania. The car was parked in the woods and a seat cushion had been removed some distance. It is believed the driver became confused and at the break of day found himself within a few miles of the Penitentiary.

August 10, 1928 . . . At last, - the traffic light, - was installed on the diamond today and put into immediate service. It is a standard type, familiar to the motoring public. While by actual count the traffic is 10 to 1 in favor of through traffic on Pennsylvania avenue, nevertheless the time ratio of red and green light has been set 35 seconds to 25 seconds.

September 6, 1928 . . . George Searson and son, James, of Centre Hall, recently purchased a new threshing machine from Battle Creek, Mich. The outfit came in last week and was exhibited at the Grange Fair, where a great deal of interest was manifest. It is one of the largest manufactured by the firm and has many modern and exclusive features.

September 10, 1928 . . . This afternoon, one of the three convicts who escaped this morning from the Rockview Penitentiary was captured near town by John H. Knarr, Harry Gross and Orvis Meyer and was delivered to one of the prison officials. The convict was sighted walking cautiously thru the mountain by Mr. Meyer, who secured his gun, ran to the slaughter house where the other men named were engaged in killing a beef for butcher Dauberman. They confronted the man and earned the \$50 reward which will be paid in due course of time.

September 27, 1928 . . . H. R. White, D. S. of Lewistown, was in town last week and after looking over the place the young dental surgeon decided to locate here. His parlor will occupy the front of the Gardner Grove residence, on the diamond, and will be equipped with all new and moden dental appliances.

Dr. White is a graduate of Temple University Dental College, Philadelphia. He is a young man of excellent qualities and one who will be a credit, professionally and otherwise, to this community.

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October 8, 1928 . . . The pupils in the Centre Hall Grades and High School have completed a month of school which opened September 3 with an enrollment of 210, ninety-two enrolled in the High School.

The teaching corps follows:

High School - Principal, J. F. Wetzel; Teachers, Miss Sarah Neff, Robert Neff, Joseph Haney.

7th and 8th grades - William H. Haney

5th and 6th grades - Thos. L. Moore

3rd and 4th grades - Miss Martha Yearick

1st and 2nd grades - Miss Sara Rearick.

Following is complete enrollment in the High School and Grade Schools:

HIGH SCHOOL

Senior Class

Dorothy Brown
Dorothy Emerick
Kathryn Goodhart
Sara Runkle
Myla Spyker
Russell Colyer
Bruce Knarr
Robert McClenahan
William McCormick

Celia Delaney
Dorothy Garbrick
Gladys Heckman
Bertha Sharer
Eugene Colyer
Emory Floray
Myles McClellan
Paul Palmer
Bruce Sharer

Junior Class

Wilma Allen
Evelyn Bradford
Renna Burkholder
Edna Cummings
Phyllis Sweeney
Myridith Coldren
Eugene McClellan
John Schaeffer
John Wert

Theresa Andrews
Thelma Brungart
Laura Smith
Goldie Stover
Harold Bradford
Luke Jordan
Frank Rines
Homer Sweetwood
Walter Wilkinson

Sophomore Class

Mary Allen
Elizabeth Brooks
Alice Burkholder
Amelia Copenhaver
Alta Cummings
Edith Delaney
Theresa Fye

Mildred Kline
Ruth Noll
Mary Reiber
Margaret Rudy
Naomi Sweetwood
Richard Bailey
James Lutz

Robert McCormick
Bruce Smith
William Weaver
Margaret Bradford
Wanda Brown
Pauline Burkholder
Agnes Cummings
Freda Cummings
Margaret Delaney
Mary Garver

Mary Long
Helen Odenkirk
Genevieve Ruble
Sara Smith
Helen White
Fred Luse
Paul Martz
Clarence Myer
George Smith

Freshman Class

Beatrice Baumgardner
Tessie Cummings
Adaline Dinges
Sara Ennist
Geraldine Jodon
Margaret McClenahan
George Bubbs
Benjamin Gentzell
Philip McClenahan
Bruce Smith
Russell Walker
Chester Wagner

Evelyn Colyer
Lois Delaney
Madaline Emerick
Miriam Gross
Helen Meyer
Marian Smith
William Dashem
George McKinney
Dean Ripka
William Spyker
Clarence Walker

GRADE SCHOOLS

Eighth Grade

Loraine Brungart
Lois Packer
Isabel Bradford
Hugh Morrow
Lawrence Hartley
Jack Coldron
Helen Decker
Harold Dunkle
Harold Brooks
John Spyker

Bruce Hartley
Betty Ebright
Gladys Smith
Franklin Moyer
Helen Rines
Dorothy McClenahan
Muth Bailey
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Elmer Keifer

Seventh Grade

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Sixth Grade

Kathryn Runkle
Miriam Mitterling
Hazel Lutz
Verna Smith
Fay Runkle
Ralph Packer

Thelma Clark
Violetta Hartley
Margaret Meyer
Jack Kifer
Fred Spyker
Vinton McClellan

Fifth Grade

Ethel Meyer
Alice Spyker
Kenneth Dutrow
William McClenahan
Kenneth Frank
Lee Meyer
Donald Coldron

Robertta Smith
Chrisopher Morrow
John Delaney
James Bradford
Russell Homan
Woodrow Bradford
Alfred Reish

Fourth Grade

Mabel Foust
Anna Mae Martz
Kathryn Smith
Marie Snyder
Eugene Emerick
Lawrence Bender
Theodore Hartley
George Heckman

Catherine Bender
Lois Ruble
Gladys White
Ardah Ishler
Donald Goodhart
Bob Wetzel
William Confer

Third Grade

Mildred Meyer
Freda Weaver
Lois Rees
Lena Meyer
Dean Runkle
Donald Foust
George Emerick
George Martz
Grover Smith
Ralph Arney

Edna Meyer
Mildred Homan
Bertha Bradford
Geraldine Dutrow
Chalmer Weaver
Frances Snyder
Dean Noll
John Kirkpatrick
Russell Moyer

Second Grade

Lillian Bender
Harold Bradford

Darline Foust
Lillian Rickert

Twila Hartley
John Knarr
Marjorie Morrow

Grace Noll
Russell Reish
Miriam Homan

First Grade

Lois Arney
Lefa Bitner
Ray Delaney
John Homan
William Kerlin, Jr.
Freda Smith
Elaine Snyder

Paul Bender
Dean Bradford
Robert Foust
Peggy McClenahan
Dorothy Meyer
Harold Smith
Sara Spyker

February 7, 1929 . . . The Angeline Weaver property, located on West Church Street was sold recently to James Foust the present tenant. The property was long ago known as the John Neff place. Mr. Neff lived in it many years during the early history of Centre Hall, and probably built it shortly after 1850, upon his return from California to where he had gone at the time of the Pacific Coast gold rush.

Mr. Foust is head mechanic at the Homan Garage.

March 7, 1929 . . . Ralph S. Hagan, proprietor of the Hagan Garage, purchased the Lyman L. Smith home, located immediately south to the garage. The residence just purchased was erected by J. D. Murray about 1853 and remained in his possession until his death. Mr. Hagan will not take possession for about a year.

. . . A new Nash limousine funeral coach has been purchased by F. V. Goodhart. The finish is jet black with deep sea blue panels.

March 15, 1929 . . . Charles Cupples sold his general store stock, in the G. O. Benner store room to George C. Johnson of Bellefonte, on this date. Mr. Johnson, for five or six years, has been employed in the Potter-Hoy hardware store. He will move, with his family, into the Grove house, immediately south of the borough line, as soon as Mr. and Mrs. Cupples vacate it about the first of the month.

. . . The property erected on Hoffer street by William Garis and occupied for the first time last spring, was sold to George W. Sweeney, a Potter township school teacher, now teaching at Colyer. The house is of the bungalow type, bricked to the square.

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April 4, 1929 . . . After a continuous successful business career in Centre Hall for a period of 44 years, D. A. Boozer retired Monday, April 1, at which time his son, J. Shannon Boozer, became his successor.

In 1885 Mr. Boozer purchased the saddlery business from his brother, the late Henry Boozer. The harness shop was then on the second floor of the meat market building, which at that time stood alone. As business grew, in 1890, the shop was moved into a portion of the hotel building, where the restaurant is now located. The hotel stable was also leased and there a livery business was established. The two lines of business were conducted jointly until the automobile age arrived. The livery was eventually sold and a sub agency taken for the sale of automobiles. In 1913 the present place of business was vacated by the "Centre Reporter" and Mr. Boozer, owner of the building, remodeled it and has been established there since that time.

August 15, 1929 . . . Official through traffic stop signs have been erected in the borough by the State Highway Department. The signs appear at the streets intersecting with our main street, officially Pennsylvania Avenue. And the word "stop" means STOP!

September 24, 1929 . . . Hannibal Edward Shreckengast was so seriously injured at a quarry near Potters Mills this afternoon that he died almost immediately on reaching the Centre County hospital. A portion of overhanging slate, following a blast, fell upon the unfortunate man, badly crushing his chest.

. . . The borough schools opened early this month with an enrollment of 206. Changes in the teaching staff, since last year, are these: 7th and 8th grades - Roy Jamison, of Mifflinburg; First and second grades, Miss Hazel Burkholder, of Centre Hall.

October 3, 1929 . . . The Kerlin's Grand View Poultry Farm, of this place, changed ownership recently. The business had its origin back in 1899 when Arthur E. Kerlin purchased his first blooded stock and developed a flock of several hundred hens on his town lot, two doors south of the Presbyterian church. In 1903 the present site was purchased and during the following few years a residence, number of large laying houses, warehouse, etc. were erected.

In 1925 Mr. Kerlin retired, leasing the business to his son, Wm. W. Kerlin, who purchased the farm and equipment at the close of the hatching season this summer.

The farm now has a capacity of several thousand laying hens, brooder facilities for 22,000 chicks and an annual hatching capacity of over a million chicks.

October 10, 1929 . . . At a recent meeting of the borough council the Pennsylvania Gas Company, manufacturers of artificial gas, with their plant located at Axemann, agreed to accept the conditions in a franchise offered by the borough. Arrangements will be made in the near future to run the gas line over Nittany mountain for service to the residents of Centre Hall.

November 7, 1929 . . . Of the 399 voters registered in Centre Hall, 288 cast ballots at Tuesday's election. The borough offices were filled by the following citizens:

Judge of Election - J. E. Rishel

Election Inspectors - Verna Rowe, F. J. McJellan

Tax Collector - Charles D. Bartholomew

Auditor - John W. Whiteman

Councilmen - Fred Bender, C. F. Emery, Richard Brooks

School Director - Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick

Burgess - George O. Benner

Justices of the Peace - Chester Spyker, Chas. W. Slack

Overseer of the Poor - John A. Heckman

Constable - William B. Hanna

November 21, 1929 . . . The grain yards, coal house, etc. conducted by William McClenahan for the past seven years, was sold on the 18th to George H. Stover, who took charge immediately. Mr. Stover, who is a young man of high character and good business attainments, has been the manager of the business during all of the time it was conducted by Mr. McClenahan.

The grain house in question was erected by the late William Colyer, Sr., about 1900 and was leased by B. D. Brisbin for a short time. R. D. Foreman and Wm. F. Floray - both now deceased - followed Mr. Brisbin and a year or more later another partnership, - Mr. Foreman and Lyman L. Smith and upon retirement of the latter, Mr. Foreman continued the business until his death and was taken over by Mr. McClenahan until the present time.

December 3, 1929 . . . A most disastrous hunting accident occurred in the Seven Mountains this afternoon when Fred Horner, son of George Horner, deceased, was accidentally shot by his twin

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brother, John. Fred was able to speak to his brother for a few minutes. He finally collapsed in the arms of his twin. A slug from a shot gun entered the back, slightly to the right of the spinal column, passing through the body. The young man was 37 years of age and is survived by a wife, who before marriage was Margaretta Rockey, of Tusseyville, and these children: Martha, Walter, Mary, William, Doris, Ward, Lois and Bettie.

January 2, 1930 . . . An assemblage of eighty spirited "old grads" disbanded from the banquet hall to the strains of "Till We Meet Again" last Friday night, December 27. This was the third annual banquet of the Centre Hall Alumni Association.

The guests of honor for the occasion were toastmaster Guy W. Jacobs, class of 1905, from Steubenville, Ohio and Clay W. Reese-man, from Camden, N. J. These two alumni and their wives motor-ed to the home town to participate in the alumni festivities, and their speeches, filled with wit and spirit, were greeted with cheers of appreciation from those present at the banquet.

The banquet hall was festooned with streamers of crepe paper in orange and black, the high school colors. The tables were de-cerated with bowls of artificial flowers and each place was marked by a tiny favor in the form of a candlestick. The dinner, the menu of which follows, was prepared and served by the ladies of the Progress Grange:

Celery	Fruit Cocktail	Olives
	Roast Chicken	
Mashed Potatoes	Lima Beans	Peas
Pineapple Salad	Ice Cream	Cake
		Coffee

Between the courses of the banquet Martha Wert '27, the song director, led in the singing of old and new song hits and song stunts.

The classes '13, '19, '20, '25 and '29 were honored this year and each was represented on the program by a toast. The Program follows:

Toastmaster, Guy W. Jacobs '05

Song Director, Martha Wert '27

Pianist, Miss Sara Runkle '29

Miss Agnes Geary '25, President of the Alumni Association

William Reish, toast, class 1913

Mrs. Ernest Frank, toast, class 1919

Solo, Miss Miriam Moore '26

Clay W. Reeseaman

Ralph Neff, toast, class 1925

Wilbur McClellan, toast, class 1928

Miss Myla Spyker, toast, class 1929

Solo, Harry F. Hubler '09

J. F. Wetzel, Advisory President

Miss Miriam Moore '26 and Harry F. Hubler '09 carried out the spirit of the occasion in their solo selections. Miss Moore's principal number was "Coming Home" and Mr. Hubler presented an opportunity for reminiscence in his encore "That Old Gang of Mine".

A committee composed of Miss Verna Rowe '13, chairman, Mrs. Warren Homan '19, Miss Sara Runkle '29, Paul Fetterolf '24 and Ernest Frank '20 had charge of arrangements for the banquet.

The Christmas holidays brought a number of former high school students to their homes for Christmas.

Ernest Wagner and Miles McClellan are attending Lock Haven State Teachers' College.

Students from Shippensburg State Teachers' College: Algie Emery and Fay Bradford, both specializing in primary teaching; Beatrice and Dorothy Brown, specializing in intermediate teaching.

Four girls who graduated from the local high school last spring are attending business colleges: Celia Delaney and Bertha Sharer are studying shorthand at Altoona Business College; Myla Spyker is attending Williamsport Commercial College, enrolled in the secretarial curriculum; Dorothy Emerick is enrolled in the secretarial course at Potts Shorthand College, Williamsport.

Penn State students home were: Ralph Neff, a senior studying electro-chemical engineering; Emelyn Brungart, a sophomore enrolled in the School of Education; Eugene Burkholder, studying floraculture in the School of Agriculture; Margaret Luse, a sophomore enrolled in the School of Liberal Arts.

Clayton McKinney and Bruce Sharer, freshmen are studying forestry; Joseph Ramer, sophomore, studying electrical engineering; Henry Blauser and Eugene Colyer, both freshmen in the School

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of Agriculture; Wm. McCormick, freshman, has chosen chemistry as his major study; it is the first year for Helen Neff in the Home Economics course.

Bruce Knarr and Wilbur McClellan are enrolled at Beckley Business College, Harrisburg.

Grace Wible, who teaches the Armagast school in Benner township, was home for the vacation; Ellen Burkholder, a teacher in the Williamsport Junior High, was also at home.

January 6, 1930 . . . The borough council concluded last year's business in a brief session this evening. The retiring members are W. H. Homan, A. H. Spayd and M. L. Emerick.

The council as now constituted is composed of: D. M. Bradford, President; W. A. Alexander, W. A. Homan, George Searson, hold-over members and Richard Brooks, C. F. Emery and Fred Bender, new members.

Jim Foust says: "Children don't hang onto their mother's skirts these days, 'cause by the time they can reach 'em, they are able to go it alone."

February 6, 1930 . . . Curtis B. Reiber purchased the home in which he and his bride now live from the former's grandmother, Mrs. Annie L. Bartges. It is the home formerly occupied by Mr. Reiber's mother, and was erected about 1885 by the late Abram S. Kerlin.

. . . Warren A. Homan, of the Homan Motor Co., who has been selling the Majestic radio for several years, is about to open a display room devoted exclusively to showing various models of the popular instrument. The room is in the Odd Fellows' building, recently vacated by Howard G. Krape, the shoemaker.

February 22, 1930 . . . The Eliza Stump home was sold today at public sale to Andrew J. Hironimous. A vacant lot adjoining was also purchased by him. The purchaser is fireman and engineer at the Sheffield milk plant.

March 6, 1930 . . . The home in town, owned and occupied for years by Mr. and Mrs. David L. Bartges and after the death of Mr. Bartges, by his widow, Mrs. Annie L. Bartges, was recently conveyed to her daughter, Mrs. Della Reiber.

The home was built in 1896 by Mr. C. Poulson who occupied it for a number of years.

March 8, 1930 . . . The new Clover Farm grocery opened this evening in its new room prepared by the owner, Thomas A. Hosterman. The new store room presents an attractive appearance with two large show windows, one on either side of the main entrance. The fixtures are complete and attractive. Interior decorating was done by John M. Coldron.

Mr. Hosterman has had a number of years experience in the grocery business, having managed the Oriole Store, in the Odd Fellows' building since March, 1923. Since last summer Mr. Hosterman managed the Shaffer Store, successor to the Oriole.

March 20, 1930 . . . James I. Fetterolf, on Saturday the 26th, purchased the Flora C. Barefoot properties, consisting of a large brick house located directly south of the Arney drug store, right-of-way over an alley, and a half lot along an alley to the rear of the main property.

Mr. Fetterolf will ultimately move his entire garage plant from East Church street to this site. Remodeling work has already begun on the first floor. The second floor will be remodeled into apartments.

. . . Ralph Whiteman, who had been employed about Lewistown, is an assistant at the R. S. Hagan Garage, replacing Frank White who is taking up farming this spring, after being at the garage two years.

April 28, 1930 . . . Russell Copenhaver, today, opened a new tonsorial parlor in the Fetterolf building. The room was newly decorated and is well furnished. The young man is a native of Colyer.

June 26, 1930 . . . In an automobile accident about midnight Saturday, Lois May Delaney, the fifteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael C. Delaney, met instant death. The accident happened at the first turn, coming west, at the Lucas home on State highway route No. 95. The driver of the car, in which were a number of young people, failed to negotiate the turn, the car striking the bank and turned over several times before coming to rest in a field.

Miss Delaney had finished her Sophomore year, in the Centre Hall High School, last month.

June 24, 1930 . . . J. R. Haney and C. Robert Neff resigned as teachers in the local High School. Roy S. Jamison was transferred from the 8th grade to the High School, leaving a vacancy which was filled by electing Russell Bohn, of Boalsburg, who is a graduate of Lock Haven Teachers College.

James Edward Nolen is the other new teacher who will take his place in the High School. He is from Carlisle and is a graduate of Dickinson College.

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July 25, 1930 . . . An escaped, colored, Rockview prisoner was captured this afternoon at the Centre Hall railroad station. When the freight conductor and brakeman were unloading freight for this pont they discovered a negro hidden behind boxes and barrels of freight, notified the authorities, - and "Joe" Edwards was soon on his way back from whence he came.

. . . The Boy Scouts of Troop No. 2 hiked to Laurel Spring recently, where the members of the Fox and Owl patrols took their test in fire-making and cooking. In order to pass these tests, which are part of the second class requirements, it is necessary to build a fire in the open without using more than two matches and cook a quarter of a pound of meat without using any utensils.

Scoutmaster Harvey W. Flink and assistant Scoutmasters Ernest A. Frank and Paul M. Fetterolf were in charge. The Scouts who passed the test are: Vinton McClellan, Jay Runkle, Jack McClenahan, Ralph Packer, Donald Coldron, Fred Spyker, William Thomas, William Confer, James Bradford. A case of soft drinks, donated by assistant scoutmaster, Fetterolf, was added to the menu of broiled meat and baked potato.

August 28, 1930 . . . The home long known as that of Frank E. Arney, in the northern section of town, was purchased a few days ago by Charles E. Flink from D. A. Boozer. The sale also includes about four acres of land lying to the north on which are two ice ponds, fruit trees, etc.

August 29, 1930 . . . The water supply for the borough has been gradually increasing due to the fact that a pump has been in operation for more than a week lifting water from a well more than 125 feet deep. A steady stream, flowing close to a barrel a minute, with the five pipe lines from springs, combine to more than supply the needs of Centre Hall and Grange Park, and this during a most severe drought.

September 2, 1930 . . . Mrs. Fred Bender cooked today's noon meal on gas, - having the distinction of being the first in Centre Hall to have access to this new type of fuel for Centre Hall residents. The Central Pennsylvania Gas Co. is rapidly installing and connecting additional gas ranges throughout the borough.

. . . The Centre Hall High School, on opening this morning registered 111 pupils, divided by classes as follows: Seniors. 26; Juniors. 17; Sophomores, 37; Freshmen, 31. The faculty consists of Prof. J. F. Wetzel, principal; Miss Agnes Gearv. Roy S. Jamison and Cloyd Fisher. The latter was elected to fill the position to which J. E. Nolan was previously elected, Mr. Nolen having accepted a position elsewhere.

September 18, 1930 . . . Industrial plants in Centre County in 1929 turned out products with a value of \$11,860,600. The county had close to one hundred industrial and manufacturing plants.

representing 34 different kinds of production. Employment was given to almost 4,000 persons.

Capital invested in Centre County, in 1929, [was over \$11,000,000 in the various industries. Clay, glass and stone products led the other industrial classes, followed by terra-cotta and fire clay, lime, food and kindred products, textiles and textile products. Metal and metal products; chemicals and allied products, leather and rubber goods, lumber and its re-manufacture, paper and printing industries, mines and quarries, including bituminous coal worth almost one and a quarter million dollars.

Centre County is one of the big match producing points in Pennsylvania, 28,703,390,400 matches having been produced in 1929. The county likewise, among other things, produced 9,455,000 ganister bricks, 17,925 barrels of flour, 143,920 gallons ice cream, 4,309 tons manufactured ice, 264,083 dozen pairs of cotton, wool and mixed hosiery, 13,222 dozen shirts, 22,014 tons of glass sand and over 2,600,000 baby chicks were artificially hatched.

November 6, 1930 . . . Mrs. Malcolm Smith, of State College, was employed as a full-time music instructor by the school districts of Centre Hall, Rebersberg, Boalsburg and Potter Township.

November 20, 1930 . . . The home of the late Amelia P. King was recently purchased by Perry H. Luse who, with Mrs. Luse, expect to occupy same on retiring from farm life next spring.

. . . The First National Bank of this place has installed a burglar alarm system, manufactured by the O. B. McClintic Company. The bank already has a modern vault and doors. The alarm is so constructed that any attack made on the vault will immediately cause an alarm from the heavy gong installed in its electrically protected housing on the front of the building and the same will result if any attempt is made to silence or destroy the big gong itself. A new type electrically controlled ventilator has also been installed in the vault. This devise eliminates the possibility of suffocation, should anyone be locked into the vault, accidentally or by robbers.

January 8, 1931 . . . Local registrar Edgar W. Miller has submitted the following vital statistics for the year 1930:

—Births—		—Deaths—	
Male	Female	Male	Female
Centre Hall 7	7	Centre Hall 6	5
Potter Township 16	18	Potter Township 10	2

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January 22, 1931 . . . Representatives of the Social Science Club of the local high school recently spent a half day in the library at Pennsylvania State College in gathering material relative to the early history of Centre Hall. This work is one of the club projects for the year. The group consisted of Margaret Bradford, Wanda Brown, Helen Odenkirk, Alice Burkholder, Evelyn Colyer, Fred Luse, Dean Ripka, and Chester Wagner. They were under the supervision of Mr. Roy S. Jamison, chief advisor.

January 29, 1931 . . . Among the many winners by Centre County contestants at the Farm Products Show, Harrisburg, the Kerlin Poultry Farm of Centre Hall, in exhibits of eggs, were awarded as follows: 1 First; 1 Second; 2 Third; 1 Fourth; 1 Fifth.

Additional winnings by Centre Hall contestants were:

Lamb Club: Hampshires, - William Campbell, Fourth. Shropshires, - Fred Luse, First and Reserve Champion Pen; Margaret Ross, Sixth; Richard Ross, Seventh; Alice Foust, Fourteenth.

Swine: Berkshires, - Wm. F. Rishel, Third, Fourth and Fifth.

Corn: Wm. F. Rishel, First.

. . . Do You Remember When? - Centre Hall had wooden water pipes and pump stocks seven feet high? . . . The south side of Centre Hall ended on the north side of Witmer's Woods? . . . When the site occupied by the Penns Valley Bank building was surrounded by fence of split posts and rails? . . . When a room on the second floor of the Huyett home, reached by an outside stairway, was a shoemaker shop? . . . When you knew, on the darkest night, where the choicest fruit trees were located in Grandma Witmer's back yard?

. . . When B. D. Brisbin kept a candy and cigar store on the site now occupied by the Lutheran church? . . . When Centre Hall had a colored barber on West Church street? . . . When the town swimming hole was south of John Coldron's bungalow? . . . When John Neff had a candy shop in the house on Church street now occupied by James Foust? . . . When the Post Office was located in the room in the hotel, now occupied as a restaurant? . . . When we put our shirts on over our heads?

February 12, 1931 . . . The bungalow, located on West Church street, owned and built about seven years ago by Harry W. Potter, was sold to Mrs. Clara Leister, who will occupy it with her son.

February 26, 1931 . . . At a depth of approximately 280 feet. an abundance of water was struck in a well drilled for the borough. Recently, from morning until night a heavy stream was lifted. at various speeds, ranging from 65 to 100 gallons per minute. The water level in the well sank somewhat while operating at the 100-gallon rate but not sufficient to indicate there was other than a great supply available.

The measured depth of the well is 286 feet. The water level only 17 feet below the surface.

... Steve Matis who, in 1922, lived on the Brockerhoof farm, south of Old Fort, was almost instantly killed when hit by a truck near Norwalk, Conn. Steve was walking on the highway when struck. The driver of the truck did not stop.

... Curtis B. Reiber - We have moved into our new milk plant this week. Operating under Permit No. 2963 ... Inspect our plant, see our electric bottle filler and capper; see our electric bottle washer and sterilizer. We offer State College Butter, Pasteurized and Certified Milk, Cream, Cottage Cheese, Buttermilk.

... Snyder's Radio Shop - We are prepared in a Modern up-to-date shop to give prompt and efficient service on all makes of Radio Sets. Reasonable prices. (In I. O. O. F. Hall)

March 13, 1931 ... Cloyd R. Fisher, teacher in mathematics in the local High School resigned today and will return to his home in Selinsgrove. Rev. D. R. Keener, local Reformed pastor, will substitute in the class room until a successor to Mr. Fisher is elected.

March 30, 1931 ... Miss Sarah R. Haines, of Millheim, was elected at a meeting of the local school board this evening, as teacher of mathematics and physics, in the High School, for the remainder of the term.

April 12, 1931 ... The speaker at the chapel service at Pennsylvania State College this morning, commenting on the speed of the present age, brought a laugh to the student body, as well as his radio listeners, when he said: "In the old days, a traveler, when he missed the stage coach, was content to put up at the inn for the next two or three days until the next coach came along. Today, a person throws a fit if he misses the first section of a revolving door." ... Isn't it true????

May 24, 1931 ... At 12:50 this (Sunday) morning a post-winter flurry of snow and rain drove air-mail pilot James D. Cleveland to his death on the top of Nittany Mountain, about two miles east of here on what is known, locally, as the "bare spot". Pilot Cleveland failed by inches to clear the top of the rugged peak and careened for five hundred feet through mountain scrub and boulders.

Cleveland died in the cockpit as the branches tore the wings from the plane, ripped apart the fuselage and finally shattered

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the gasoline tank, giving fuel to the fire that broke out as the ship came to a stop. The 1,000 lbs. of mail that was being carried was destroyed.

The plane was heard in its flight and subsequently the flash that followed the crash was seen by a number of persons hereabouts. Officials from the Bellefonte Airport were guided to the scene by Richard Brooks, a local forest ranger. In the party were also the following local men: Ralph Whiteman, Newton Crawford and Floyd Horner. Planes from the airport scouted over the funeral pyre in an effort to assist in directing the party who were laboriously ascending the rugged north slope of Mount Nittany.

August 6, 1931 . . . C. N. Kryder, Insurance Agent - In an automobile accident the innocent often pay - you may not be at fault, but could you prove it? Relieve yourself of risk and worry. Insure.

September 17, 1931 . . . Edward Durst - Whitewashing and Spraying, Dairy barns a specialty. Modern and efficient equipment. Work Guaranteed.

December 26, 1931 . . . The fourth annual banquet of the Centre Hall Alumni Association was held this evening and was attended by approximately sixty graduates and guests. The banquet was served in the local high school rooms.

Harold Keller of the class of 1921 was toastmaster for the occasion and presided in a very capable manner. During the serving of the meal Prof. J. F. Wetzel, Agnes Geary, Paul Fetterolf, Eugene Burkholder, Sarah Neff, Guy Jacobs and others responded to a call by the toastmaster to relate stories or humorous incidents of their school days. One of the most delightful features of the program was the rendition of two vocal solos by Miss Sarah Odenkirk. Her accompanist was her sister, Miss Helen.

After clearing of the tables the following responded to toasts to their classes, as follows: 1931, Helen Odenkirk; 1929, Bertha Sharer; 1927, Emelyn Brungart; 1923, Ellen Burkholder; 1909, Mrs. W. W. Reitz (nee Ruth Thomas).

The address of the evening was delivered by Claude K. Stahl of the class of 1902. He spoke on the subject: "Qualifications for Success".

Immediately following the speaking program the following officers of the Alumni Association were elected for the ensuing year: President: Paul Fetterolf; vice-president: Helen Searson; corresponding secretary: Louise Smith; recording secretary: Myla Spyker; treasurer: Verna Rowe.

The rooms were rearranged and bridge was the diversion for the remainder of the evening. The committee in charge was: Agnes Geary '25, Myla Spyker '29, Martha Yearick '24, Eugene Burkholder '27, Paul Fetterolf '24.

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January 24, 1932 . . . Local Fire Insurance Company has unique record. — The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Centre County - a local mutual company - is one with a decidedly unique record. It held it's seventy-fifth annual meeting in Bellefonte on the 11th and re-elected its former Directors as here listed: George Mitchell, President; J. M. Campbell, vice-president; Frank M. Fisher, secretary; J. R. Brungart, treasurer; James E. Harter, E. M. Huyett, E. J. Gentzel, T. M. Huey, C. A. Yearick, F. E. Wieland, H. L. Truckmiller and D. S. Wert.

The company at this time has approximately 2400 policyholders and carries insurance in the sum of \$5,596,539.00.

The original minutes of the organization of the company are in the hands of Secretary Fisher. The company was organized and throughout its early history was designated thus: "The Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Centre County, Located South of Nittany Mountain". The minutes show the first meeting at which the directors were elected, was held in the "House of John G. Yeager, Centre Hall". Date of the meeting was February 26, 1858. At a subsequent meeting held March 6, the directors took the oath of office individually, the manner of oath selected followed by the signature of each director. They signed in the following order, their signatures indicating that each was skilled with the quill: George Buchanan, Samuel Strohecker, Adam Hess, Peter Zeigler, Ph. Meyer, Henry Kreps, Peter Hoffer, William Durst, William C. Duncan, Amos Alexander, G. W. Campbell. - John Shannon was the justice of the peace who administered the oath.

. . . The borough council reorganized by re-electing D. M. Bradford president. Roy Searson, not a member of the council, was continued as secretary. The other councilmen are messers Richard Brooks, Fred Bender, A. M. Riegel, George Searson, W. A. Homan and W. A. Alexander.

January 19, 1932 . . . The garage and equipment of the Homan Motor Company was taken over today by Edgar W. Miller and is being conducted under the firm name of "Miller Motor Company". Mr. Miller has secured the franchise for the sale of Chevrolet cars and trucks. Three men are employed at present. The location is on east side of Pennsylvania Avenue, directly opposite the C. D. Bartholomew residence.

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... The following Centre Hall people were successful in winning prizes with exhibits at the sixteenth annual State Farm Show held in Harrisburg this week: 4H Lamb Club Exhibits: Richard Luse. Southdown class: Margaret Ross, Carl Burkholder, Richard Ross.

Centre Hall practically "cleaned up" on the White Egg Show: Kerlin's Poultry Farm, First Place in 5-dozen class and special trophy for best 5-doz exhibit; 2nd place in 1-doz class: Daniel Daup, Jr.; 3rd and 4th place in same class, Roy Dutrow; 4th place in 1-doz farmers' class and 4th and 5th place in 5-doz farmers' class, Thomas Delaney. All of above winnings were with eggs produced by the Kerlin strain of Leghorns, developed at Centre Hall.

February 11, 1932 . . . Merchant George C. Johnson will remove his grocery store across the street from the G. O. Benner building into the W. A. Odenkirk building as soon as the store room, vacant for a few years can be put in shape to accommodate an up-to-date grocery. Mr. Johnson succeeded Charles Cupples and has been doing a successful business the past several years.

... Clement Luse is making preparations to erect a second double dwelling house, a duplicate of the one completed last fall, and will be located on a lot adjoining its duplicate on the south. Timber is now being cut on the Loughner tract, near Sprucetown.

... John J. Arney, west of town, quietly celebrated his 93rd birthday anniversary on the 10th. Aside from impaired eyesight Mr. Arney has the full use of all faculties and enjoys comparatively good health. At the Arney homestead live four generations - J. J. Arney, his son I. M. Arney, son J. Bruce Arney and the latter's family.

March 17, 1932 . . . Dr. H. R. White, Dentist, became the owner of the former Reformed parsonage. The purchase was made from James Searson who previously had bought the place from the Reformed church congregation. It is Dr. White's intention to remodel the property and fit up the front portion as a dental parlor, reception room, etc.

March 24, 1932 . . . G. O. Benner, who for many years successfully conducted the "Star Store" at the Centre Hall railroad station, and who retired six years ago, is again getting into business and will be found at the "old stand" with a line of staple groceries, notions, fruits, cigars, confectionery: also a complete line of hardware.

March 29, 1932 . . . Snow fell last night to a depth of about ten inches. There was considerable wind during the night and this morning, resulting in heavy drifts. The morning train was several hours late and the rural mail carriers were able to serve only a very small portion of their routes.

... The Junior class of the local High School gave its class play "The Whoofenpoof" in Grange Arcadia before two audiences on successive nights, the receipt showing a handsome net profit. The class is the largest in the history of the school, having thirty members. The cast was as follows:

Dad Ketchell	John Spyker
John Liebeck	Muth Bailey
Deep Liebeck	Isabel Bradford
Sheriff Riley	Jack Coldron
Widow Winters	Dorothy McClenahan
Mrs. Ketchell	Isabel Jodon
Wheeler Ketchell	Hugh Morrow
Mona Lowry	Gladys Smith

May 16, 1932 ... Wilbur McClellan today entered the services of the Pennsylvania Department of Insurance. The young man is a graduate of the Centre Hall High School and later took a course in a Harrisburg institution of learning, preparatory to the type of work in which he is now engaged.

... Poultryman W. W. Kerlin is used to seeing large white eggs from his leghorns but the champion egg for size was recorded when an owner of Kerlin Leghorns brought to the Kerlin farm an egg weighing 6 ounces and measuring 8 x 8¾ inches. Within the shell was found the white and yolk plus a normal sized, perfectly formed 2 ounce egg.

May 27, 1932 ... The seventeen members of the Centre Hall Senior Class graduated this evening. Evelyn Colyer was valedictorian while Madaline Emerick was salutatorian. Other members of the class were: Margaret McClenahan, Alice Burkholder, Marian Smith, Sarah Ennist, Adaline Dinges, Cherry Jodon, Tessie Cummings, Phillip McClenahan, Chester Wagner, George Lohr, William Dashem, William Spyker, Lynn Breon, Benjamin Gentzel and Dean Ripka.

June 9, 1932 ... Twelve pupils of the C. H. High School were awarded by the Dept. of Public Instruction, Harrisburg, for perfect school attendance during the 1931-1932 term. Following is their record since attending school:

Senior Class: Marian Smith 6 years; Cherry Jodon 4 years; Adaline Dinges 8 years.

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Junior Class: Laura Bell McCormick 7 years; Isabel Jodon 3 years; Franklin Moyer 8 years; Jack Coldron 10 years; Muth Bailey 8 years.

Sophomore Class: Doris Moltz 2 years; Paul Foust 7 years.

Freshman Class: Vinton McClellan 6 years; Fred Spyker 6 years.

August 18, 1932 . . . Fred Homan of Williamsport has purchased the stock of the late J. S. Rowe and will devote his entire time to the plumbing business, thereby filling a great need in this community. This week Mr. and Mrs. Homan will move to town and occupy the apartment in the B. G. Grove home.

Mr. Homan will continue to use the former Rowe shop on Church street.

Septmber 1, 1932 . . . Robert E. Lassiter & Co., of Raleigh, N. C. recently began laying concrete on the Potters Mills-Boalsburg road project, beginning at the western end of the concrete section laid two years ago.

October 20, 1932 . . . The Centre Hall Granite and Marble Works, established many years ago by the late H. G. Strohmeier, and now conducted by his son-in-law, C. H. Homan, is erecting a new and larger workshop. Mr. Homan has been expanding his trade field and during the past year has erected modern monuments in a number of distant cemeteries.

October 27, 1932 . . . The old creamery plant, north-east of the R. R. depot, was sold to William D. Shoop by the Sheffield Farms Company. The plant was abandoned since it was sold to the Sheffield Farms Co. by the Dewart Products Co., who had used it as a milk receiving plant. It was built by the Howard Creamery Company some thirty years ago. It had been operated for a short time by the Centre County Grange, butter being their only manufactured product.

Mr. Shoop contemplates converting the structure into a dwelling.

January 12, 1933 . . . The Cenre Hall Business Men's Association held their first annual meeting Thursday night in the high school assembly room.

. . . In a recent contest in which High school publications from all parts of Pennsylvania were entered, Centre Hall High school was awarded second place with its publication, "The Tiger".

This may be regarded as a high tribute to the local high school. Miss Agnes Geary, the English teacher, under whose supervision The Tiger is published, is justly proud of the high recognition achieved. A noteworthy fact is that every item within the eight pages of the publication is student production.

... The following interesting statistics, covering the year 1932, were furnished by Edgar W. Miller, registrar of vital statistics in the three districts in question:

	Births	Deaths
Centre Hall . . .	11	12
Potter Township . .	35	24
Gregg Township . .	23	22
Totals	69	58

Average age of the fifty eight who died was 68.72 years. The oldest of the group was Mrs. Mary J. Odenkirk, who was more than ninety-two. Eleven of the group were over 90 and 19 were over 80 but under 90. The population of the three districts, 1930 census was: Centre Hall 658; Potter township 1,284; Gregg township 1,300.

... Among the families expecting to change their locations next spring are two who now occupy the W. H. Homan property, east of the borough Church Street line. They are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zellers who will occupy the Mrs. Annie Homan apartment and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Smeltzer who will move to the Lambert house now tenanted by Constable William B. Hanna and family. The Hannas will move to the Lanson Burris apartment on West Church street.

February 16, 1933 . . . Thirty-four of the forty members of the Centre Hall Business Men's Association sat at the tables in the Mitterling cafe Tuesday evening. It was the first strictly social meeting held since its organization, and the occasion was voted a signal success. Speaker of the evening was Edward R. Owens of Bellefonte who recited in a most interesting manner his experience of an overseas trip to France, England and the former home of his parents in Wales. The committee in charge of all arrangements was R. S. Hagan, W. W. Kerlin and C. D. Bartholomew.

... Another leghorn pullet, entered last fall in the Alabama Egg Laying contest bids fair to make an enviable record on the trap nests. This bird has produced 116 large eggs during the 123 days of October, November, December and January. This bird was entered by the Kerlin's Poultry Farm of this place and several other members of this entry have passed the 100-egg mark. A pullet entered in this contest in 1931 produced a total of 344 eggs during her pullet year.

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March 2, 1933 . . . Robert Dodds . . . Public Sale of South Dakota Horses at Centre Hall Sale Barn . . . E. M. Smith, Auctioneer.

. . . The initial effort to conduct a "community sale" in Centre Hall was declared a success. The sale, held Tuesday the 28th of February by the promoters - Chas. Witmer, State College and J. W. Keller, McAlevy's Fort, grossed \$1664.80. Sale was held at the Benner barn, west of the First National bank building.

March 9, 1933 . . . FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT has been inaugurated President of the United States. Following are a few highlights of his inaugural address:

" . . . This great nation will endure as it has endured, will revive and will prosper . . . the only thing we have to fear is fear itself . . . Our greatest primary task is to put people to work. This is no unsolvable problem if we face it wise and courageously . . . I am prepared under my constitutional duty to recommend the measures that a stricken nation in the midst of a stricken world may require . . . in the event that the national emergency is still critical, I shall not evade the clear course of duty that will then confront me."

"I shall ask Congress for the one remaining instrument to meet the crisis - broad executive power to wage a war against the emergency, as great as the power that would be given me if we were in fact invaded by a foreign foe."

March 17, 1933 . . . Promptly following his inauguration, President Roosevelt, by executive order, closed all banks within the United States by declaring a holiday. At this date all Centre County banks, in this section of the County, have re-opened for business under license . . . This license is granted only to banks in a sound financial position . . . The holiday created scarcely a ripple locally among the patrons of the First National. Of course, like in all sections, some individuals and business firms suffered inconveniences natural to follow a bank holiday.

March 30, 1933 . . . As a result of the recent destructive earthquake in California, several former Centre Hall residents have written of their experiences to the "Centre Reporter". Excerpts follow:

D. Ross Bushman and Mother, San Diego: "The tremblor which came a few minues before 6 p. m. gave us quite a brisk rocking, set off several burglar alarms, stopped clocks. No one injured and practically no property damage."

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Funk, Compton: Mr. Funk was alone in one of his chicken houses when he experienced the earth coming up, in the next instant he was thrown against the wall of the hen coop. Total damage was one broken dish but everything in the line of furniture was moved and when the severe quakes were over, the

furniture was found to have moved to the center of the rooms. The radio was upset but had found its resting place, too, in the center of the living room. There was much damage in Compton but the Funks, fortunately, escaped injury.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boob, Los Angeles: "Thank God, we are safe. I was driving home from the store at the time of greatest destruction. Saw cars thrown out of control, one running over and killing a pedestrian. If you could see the many large buildings that were wrecked you would wonder that thousands were not killed, instead of only about 140."

With his letter Mr. Boob submitted the following poem which was of considerable interest at the time, - and will no doubt be interesting, at this time, to the readers of this book:

NO MORE

Let us check our prospects o'er
With the accent on NO MORE!
No more quivers, no more fears,
No More quakes for fifty years;

No more cars with empty tanks,
No more closing of the banks;
No more tightwads free to hold
Hoarded heaps of secret gold;

No more grinding private axes,
No more upping public taxes;
No more lobby, bloc or faction
Thwarting Presidential action;

No more shouting: "Take our
Dollars",
Every time that Europe hollers;
No more sales of phoney stocks,
No mere business on the rocks;

No more scarcity of dough,
Hang the sign out and LET'S GO!

April 5, 1933 . . . The local I. O. O. F. 895 held installation this evening by District Deputy Grand Master William Steele, Jr. of Bellefonte, assisted by Past Grands Cyrus Hoy, Edward Zong, John Mong and Glenn Zong. The following were installed: Noble Grand - Earl Delaney; Vice Grand - John Slack; Warden - Ralph

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. . . The traffic light on the diamond, installed seven years ago, was ordered removed as soon as arrangements could be made with the State Highway Department for erection of appropriate signs to the approach of the main highway from East and West Church street.

May 26, 1933 . . . This evening the Centre Hall "High" Graduated its largest class of Seniors. Members of the class were: Muth Bailey, Beatrice Baumgardner, Betty Ebright, Loraine Brungart, Laura Belle McCormick, Jack Coldron, John Spyker, Lawrence Hartley, Hugh Morrow, Gladys Smith, Isabel Jodan, Helen Rines, Anna Wert, Margaret Brown, Bruce Hartley, Leroy Horner, Franklin Moyer, Clara Grove, Esther Ennist, Lois Packer, Marian Shirk, Russell Walker, Burton Snyder, Laura Breon, Isabel Bradford, Dorothea McClenahan, Florence Brooks, Hazel Smith, Flora Hackett.

. . . Centre Hall School board elected the following teachers: High School: J. F. Wetzel, principal; R. S. Jamison and Miss Agnes Geary. The position held by Miss Sara Haines is vacant. Grade Schools: Primary, Miss Martha Yearick, 3rd and 4th grades, T. L. Moore, 5th and 6th grades, Miss Charlotte Keller, 7th and 8th grades, Russell Bohn . . . Miss Fay Bradford resigned as teacher of the primary grade.

July 13, 1933 . . . The local school board held a special meeting rescinding their former action, not within its legal rights, thus reinstating Miss Haines, Mr. Moore and Miss Yearick to the status held by them at the close of the school term.

. . . Six young men from Centre Hall and nearby left here by auto at noon, Thursday of last week, for the Century of Progress Exposition at Chicago. They expect to earn their way by singing and playing musical instruments, each of the lads being an artist. The young men are Harry, Otto, Delbert and Walter Barger, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Barger, of Penns Cave District, and Kenneth and Burton Snyder, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Snyder of town. The musical organization has been named "The Keystone Melody Boys".

August 19, 1933 . . . The community was shocked to learn of the death, last evening, of John L. Rowe in an automobile accident in which Mrs. Rowe was painfully but not seriously injured. Mr. Rowe, son of the late J. Samuel Rowe, was a former resident of Centre Hall and at the time of his untimely death had been en-

gaged in the heating and plumbing business at Atlantic City, N. J. Burial will be made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

October 12, 1933 . . . In the Alabama Egg Laying Contest, conducted by the extension service of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, a total of four leghorn hens, entered October 1 of last year, passed the 300-mark either in eggs laid or points scored. The individual records are as follows: 303 eggs; 300.5 points; 303 eggs and 331.25 points. The latter bird being the highest scoring individual in the contest and, so far as is known at this time, the highest record in the United States.

November 9, 1933 . . . Two hundred eighty-eight electors in Centre Hall, out of an approximate 425, registered their desires at Tuesday's election. Results for local offices follow:

School Directors: R. S. Hagan, E. E. Bailey; Councilmen: Fred Lender, Wm. F. Keller, Chas. A. Miller; Constable: George Vogt; Overseer of Poor: Chas. E. Flink; Burgess: Ernest A. Frank; Tax Collector: Chas. D. Bartholomew.

On Repeal of 18th Amendment: For: 92; Against: 165.

Legalizing Sunday Sports: Yes: 49; No. 220.

November 23, 1933 . . . Centre Hall was visited by a Goodyear dirigible airship, early Tuesday morning. It flew so low that the skipper poked his head out a cabin window and asked spectators where he was, direction to Bellefonte and requested the Bellefonte field operator to be prepared to supply gas and have a ground crew of thirty to "haul 'er in and tie 'er down".

. . . The Pennsylvania Railroad took off the two local freight trains this week. Local freight shipments will be handled by truck, while carload shipments will be attached to the regular passenger trains.

December 12, 1933 . . . Tragedy was written in large letters in an accident in which Mrs. John Matis was fatally injured and three of her children instantly killed when the west-bound train, this forenoon struck the sedan John Matis, husband and father, was driving over a railroad crossing near the Matis home on what is known as the VanTries farm, now the Col. Boal farm, west of Centre Hall. The father sustained a crushed pelvis and broken



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ribs. A blinding snow storm, raging at the time, no doubt prevented the driver from seeing the approaching train. The dead and living were placed in the express car and taken to the Centre County hospital. The automobile was struck at about the center, crushed into a mass and carried along the tracks for a distance of about 825 feet.

January 4, 1934 . . . Sixty-four men are now employed on the three "C. W. A." borough projects, - the reservoir, school house and Hoffer street.

February 1, 1934 . . . "Very desirable advertisement for so small a school" is the commendatory comment of the judge of the Penna. School Press Association contest in a recently received point-by-point criticism of "The Tiger", quarterly publication of the local high school. The "Tiger" placed second in the news-magazine division of the contest. The publication last year also placed second in an equally keen competition.

The staff of "The Tiger", all members of the senior class, includes Woodrow Meeker, editor; Ruth Hartley, associate editor; Sara Odenkirk, circulation manager; Reuben Rickert, business manager and Jack McClenahan, advertising manager.

Miss Agnes Geary is the faculty advisor of the publication.

. . . No Flares Causes Flare-ups . . . between ten and twenty truck drivers, whose trucks were not equipped with the required flares, were cited before Justice C. W. Slack recently . . . A measure adopted at the special session of the State Legislature last summer requires at least four danger-warning flares on all trucks bearing an "S" license, or larger. The flares to be used when trucks are forced to stop along the highway at night.

February 15, 1934 . . . Thursday night (8th) the mercury dropped to 18 degrees BELOW zero. This point had been reached but once before during the 34 years official weather conditions have been recorded in Centre Hall.

. . . The National Commercial and Breeder Hatchery Committee, - under the N. R. A. Code, - has set up headquarters in the office of the International Baby Chick Association, Kansas City, Mo. Each State has been subdivided by counties. W. W. Kerlin, of this place, owner and manager of the Kerlin's Grand View Poultry Farm, has been chosen coordinator for Centre County. Mr. Kerlin has also been appointed, recently, a member of the legislative committee of the State Poultry and Baby Chick Association.

March 8, 1934 . . . After thirty years' service as a rural mail carrier from Centre Hall postoffice, William F. Keller has been retired by the P. O. Dept. and as an economy measure Route 1, which Mr. Keller served has been combined with Route 2. Both routes are now being covered by Albert L. Emery.

Mr. Keller, who retires while yet a comparatively young man, was the first rural mail carrier from the Centre Hall office.

March 29, 1934 . . . Two local youths, William D. Spyker, 19, and Burton Snyder, 20, enlisted in the U. S. Army, at the Altoona recruiting station, for service in the Coast Guard artillery, Philippines. Robert L. Breon and Frank Rines have also made application and will be called shortly.

April 19, 1934 . . . L. H. Garbrick and Son . . . In compliance with the regulations of the Milk Control Board the price of milk on and after Saturday, April 21, will be 10c a quart.

. . . At a recent meeting of the Centre Hall school board, these teachers were elected for the coming term: Primary School, Miss Helen White; 3rd and 4th grades, Miss Martha Yearick; 5th and 6th, Thos. L. Moore; 7th and 8th, Russell Bohn. High School: J. F. Wetzel, R. S. Jamison, Miss Agnes Geary and Hughes Brinninger. (Note: Mr. Brinninger declined to accept the position to which he was elected and later the board elected William E. McCormick of Potters Mills to fill the vacancy.)

May 26, 1934 . . . This evening the following High School seniors graduated:

Reuben Rickert, Sara Odenkirk, Ruth Reiber, Alice Foust, Ruth Hartley, Paul Foust, Ruth Walker, Jack McClenahan, Violet Smith, Robert Bradford, Irene Smith, Jack Kifer, Helen Weaver, Lee Cummings, Beula Meyer, Carl Burkholder, Doris Moltz, Donald Ruble, Mary Dashem, Richard Ross, Helen Decker, Woodrow Meeker, Mabel Burkholder, Marvin Ishler, Marian Treaster and James Delaney.

. . . Charles Sheffer, popular and well known proprietor of the Dewart Milk Products Company has recently opened his new ice cream and dairy store in the I. O. O. F. building.

June 21, 1934 . . . Centre Hall Choral Club won first prize, under direction of Mrs. Alberta Krader, Bellefonte. Fifteen groups of singers, from thirteen counties of the State were competing in the Rural Chorus Contest held in Schwab Auditorium on the Penn State Campus.

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Each chorus was required to sing: "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes", and a selected number. The song selected by the Centre Hall group was "In the Time of Roses". The local chorus comprised the following:

Sopranos - Mrs. J. F. Wetzel, Mrs. Paul Fetterolf, Mrs. Harry W. Potter, Mrs. J. W. Bradford, Mrs. W. F. McMorran, Mrs. Harold Durst, the Misses Sara Odenkirk, Mabel Burkholder, Louise Smith, Agnes Geary, Elizabeth Bartholomew, Doll Hess and Ruth Hartley.

Altos - Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. C. A. Spyker, Mrs. J. Shannon Boozer, Mrs. John Wert, Jr., the Misses Helen Odenkirk, Dorothy Lowder, Geneva Hess, Angeline Hess, Ruth Walker.

Tenors - Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, Arthur Thoman, Everett Cox, Kryder Frank, Russell Colyer.

Basses - C. Wm. Boozer, Ross Lowder, Ernest Frank, Edw. E. Bailey.

Accompanist - Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick.

The contest was an evening feature of the Farmers' Field Day at State College, which was attended by several thousand persons.

September 9, 1934 . . . The Centre Hall Choral Club rendered a 45-minute program of sacred and secular compositions, this evening, over Station WORK, York, Pa.

October 18, 1934 . . . A pen of 10 leghorns, entered last year in the Georgia National Egg Laying Contest, returned home this week to the Kerlin Poultry Farm of this place. With them came official notice that these hens had taken first place for the 51 weeks duration of the contest, by producing 2751 eggs. The three highest producers laid 302, 305 and 318 eggs . . . The Kerlin 10-bird pen is also leading since the first month at the Century of Progress Contest, Chicago.

November 15, 1934 . . . The members of the Centre Hall Business Men's Association made their second annual trip on Thursday, the 8th, Hanover, York County, having been the objective point. The particular interest was the Hanover Shoe Factory where the output is 5,000 pairs of shoes daily. Following a thorough and interesting inspection of the factory, Mr. C. N. Meyers, president of the Company, accompanied the group over his stock farms where 250 horses and colts were being developed as racers. Many nationally-famous race horses have been developed here.

November 29, 1934 . . . Previous reference has been made to the killing and injuring of various members of the Matis family as the result of the west-bound train striking the Matis car . . . Suit against the R. R. Co. in the sum of \$125,000 was instituted and trial began in the Centre County court last week. The trial was abruptly ended by a settlement being reached on the following basis:

John Matis \$15,000; his son, Earl, \$10,000 and his daughter, Helen, \$5,000.

December 6, 1934 . . . After a service with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for fifty years, lacking but a few months, W. Frank Bradford retired having reached the age of seventy quite recently. As an agent he was efficient, giving his best services, and immediately following his retirement he journeyed to the Bradford hunting camp, in Seven Mountains, to engage in his favorite sport of hunting.

December 13, 1934 . . . C. H. H. S. Wins Central Penna. Soccer Championship . . . After establishing a new record, - an undefeated season, - our lads marched right through to the goal - Central Pennsylvania Champions!

After properly taking care of Boalsburg, Hublersburg and State College teams in the western division they proceeded to eliminate Rebersburg, champions of the eastern division by scores of 2 - 0 and 3 - 2, thus winning the County Championship. The latter game required two extra periods.

But the goal had not yet been attained. In this elimination tournament there are represented teams from six leagues, covering eleven counties. The next team to be met was the Beaver Vocational, undefeated champions of the Juniata-Perry league and the game, played in a "sea of mud", resulted in a 3 - 0 victory for Centre Hall High. The semi-final with Covington was easily taken by the score of 5 - 0 but our booters found themselves confronted with the task of facing the supposedly powerful Mifflinburg team, at State College, in the final . . . Here again Centre Hall established a new record of running up a new high score for a Central Pennsylvania Championship game. The score: Centre Hall 5 - Mifflinburg 1.

Members of this winning team were: Ralph Packer, Bob Wetzel, Warren Homan, Richard Luse, Kenneth Frank, Dick Johnson, Robert Walker, Jay Runkle, Alfred Reish, George Heckman, Vinton McClellan, Fred Spyker, Woodrow Bradford, Donald Col-dron, Kenneth Dutrow and William McClenahan. Coach: Prof. Roy Jamison.

December 20, 1934 . . . Members of Centre Hall's champion soccer team were guests of the High School faculty at a banquet served in their honor at the Woodward hotel this evening. Other

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invited guests were present. Seated around the banquet board were the following:

The faculty: Prof. J. F. Wetzel, R. S. Jamison, Miss Agnes E. Geary, William McCormick. The school directors: Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick, W. W. Kerlin, R. S. Hagan, F. V. Goodhart E. E. Bailey. Also Mrs. J. F. Wetzel, Miss Goldie Stover, William Jeffry, Penn State Soccer coach, John P. Ryan, sergeant in the military organization at Penn State, the Misses Vivian S. A. Doty, Catharine Bender, Mary Droege of State College; Dolly Hess, Hazel Lutz, Freda Burkholder, Willa Blauser, Jean Dinges, Arda Ishler, and the team members as listed previously.

January 3, 1935 . . . "The Tiger", Local High School paper, after twice being awarded second prize in the annual State School Press Association contests was, in 1934, unwilling to permit the local soccer team take all the first honors. This splendid paper, whose editor-in-chief is Fred Spyker, shared first honors with the news magazines of Keith Junior High in Altoona and Curtin H. S. in Williamsport. Miss Agnes Geary, advisor for "The Tiger" was present at the awarding of honors last week in Harrisburg.

. . . At their last meeting of the year the Centre Hall Camp. P. O. S. of A. elected the following members for the ensuing six months: President, L. E. Jodon; Vice-Pres., E. E. Espenshade; Master of forms, P. H. Luse; Conductor, R. E. Dinges; Inspector, E. E. Zettle; Guard, Wilbur H. Bland; Recording Sec'y., T. L. Smith; Financial Sec'y., E. S. Ripka; Treas., D. W. Bradford; Trustee, A. H. Spayd.

. . . The 2c tax on checks passed out with the old year. During the two and a half years it was in force the government derived in revenue the sum of \$41,383,198.00 from this tax, on more than two billion checks.

. . . The Centre Hall Volunteer Fire Company met in the council chamber recently. Cash in treasury is now \$233 of which \$91 was derived from bingo. A committee with J. S. Poozer, chairman, T. L. Smith, W. D. Shoop, C. D. Bartholomew and T. A. Hosterman was appointed to get information with the view of securing a fire truck and siren.

January 25, 1935 . . . The twentieth anniversary of the Clover Club was celebrated this evening at the home of Mrs. W. F. Keller, president of the organization. The history of the club was given by Mrs. Lovan Smith, secretary, whose sketch noted that the club, first a sewing circle, was organized in 1914, with Mrs. D. W. Bradford, now deceased, as president.

The organization has regularly contributed to the Red Cross, purchased Christmas seals, books and towels for the schools, sent food, clothing and furnishings to needy families, Christmas gifts to children, etc. The present membership consists of the following ladies: Mrs. W. F. Bradford, Mrs. G. O. Benner, Mrs. D. A. Boozer,

Mrs. H. L. Ebright, Mrs. F. M. Fisher, Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. C. H. Homan, Mrs. J. M. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Mrs. Milford Luse, Mrs. A. G. Lieb, Mrs. L. R. Lingle, Mrs. W. A. Odenkirk, Mrs. C. A. Smith, Mrs. L. L. Smith, Miss Grace Smith and Mrs. W. F. Keller.

February 5, 1935 . . . At a meeting of the C. H. Fire Co. this evening the purchase of a Champion double-head fire siren was approved. The equipment will be secured from the W. S. Darley & Co., Chicago on a thirty days' trial basis. The siren will be placed upon the First National Bank building, directly above the Bell Telephone exchange, from which point it will be operated.

March 14, 1935 . . . Recently the J. M. Ream home, a semi-bungalow, located on West Church Street was purchased by H. Ray Mark. The home had been leased, prior to the sale, to Fred Homan, the plumber, who will occupy same for at least a year. The property in question was erected by the late Simon Hennigh.

April 4, 1935 . . . The home directly south of the F. V. Goodhart Furniture establishment, built in 1917-1918 by the late Frank J. McClellan, was recently purchased by Dr. C. H. Light. The doctor plans to remodel and make additions necessary to meet his needs for a modern office in connection with the residence.

May 24, 1935 . . . Commencement exercises of the C. H. High School were held this evening in Grange Park Auditorium. Those to graduate were: Fred Spyker, Freda Burkholder, Miriam Mitterling, Vinton McClellan, Dorothy Blazer, Warren Homan, Willa Flauser, Geraldine Smith, Bernadine Smith, Violetta Hartley, Ralph Packer, Hazel Lutz, Thelma Clark, Jay Runkle, Freda Horner.

June 6, 1935 . . . The Centre Hall Fire Company now has in excess of \$400 in its treasury thanks to the support given at their Memorial day festival which returned a net of approximately \$150.00.

June 15, 1935 . . . The Lingle Home of corner of Hoffer and Locust Streets was sold this afternoon at public auction to Samuel Bitner for \$2875.00. The dwelling, a semi-bungalow in type, was erected in 1922 by the late L. R. Lingle.

July 11, 1935 . . . Twenty-three members of the Centre Hall Business Men's Association, today, made a complete inspection of the Dorrance Colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company at

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Wilkes-Barre, and also visited places of interest in the city of 110,000 population. But few of the number had ever been down a mine shaft, but the experience of a rapid 700 foot drop was one of pleasure rather than discomfort. The outing was completely enjoyed and was educational.

... Within the past few weeks the W. F. MacMorran property, on West Church street was purchased for \$3,000 by Harry Cummings, farmer west of Old Fort. The dwelling is a semi-bungalow type and was built by Mr. MacMorran about ten years ago.

August 8, 1935 ... A tract of land of about one and a half acres, located back of the Frank M. Fisher and A. L. Spayd homes was recently purchased by W. W. Kerlin, whose poultry farm adjoins on the east and south. The tract originally was a part of what was known years ago as Witmer's grove, which included the Reformed church properties as well as the Fisher and Spayd properties. Later the latter two properties and the land which has just been purchased by Mr. Kerlin, were sold to the local order of Odd Fellows, and from them it was purchased by the school board. The school board sold the two front lots to the late William Mitterling and some years later the remaining portion to M. Q. Hartman, a silk mill operator, with the understanding that a silk mill would be erected and operated. A massive stone foundation, 40x120 feet was built for the proposed mill, but nothing beyond that was accomplished. It was from Mr. Hartman that the recent purchase was made by Mr. Kerlin.

... H. L. Ebright, Licensed Realtor ... Dwelling on Main Street, Centre Hall, Farms of fiftytwo, sixty and eighty-five acres in Potter Township for sale. All in Penns Valley and priced to sell.

October 17, 1935 ... Competing in a class of close to fifty students from a number of Agricultural Colleges in the east, William P. Campbell captured the high prize - \$50.00 cash. He made a score of 893 out of a possible 1000 points in judging sheep, hogs, cows and horses. He exceeded by 80 points his closest competitor, a West Virginia student.

November 7, 1935 ... At Tuesday's election in the borough the following were elected to borough offices:

Judge of Elections, Geo. K. Rimmey; Inspector of Elections, Mrs. Martha Mark; Assessor, G. Frank Smith; Auditor, John White-man; School Director, Dr. H. R. White; Justices of the Peace, R. M. Smith, F. K. Frank; Councilmen, C. H. Homan, Curtis B. Reiber, Daniel S. Daup, D. W. Bradford.

November 14, 1935 ... The cause of education was advanced in the action taken by the Centre Hall borough and Potter township school boards at a joint meeting this evening, when it was agreed that a joint high school should be established and maintained by the two districts.

The action grew out of the contemplated building of an addition to the present high school building with the aid of federal funds secured through the agency of the Public Works Administration (PWA). The approximate cost of the new building will be \$33,000 - 45 % of which will be an outright grant from the federal government, the remainder to be supplied by the two school districts, share and share alike. Potter Township will have a 50 % interest in the high school property, present and contemplated, including all equipment. The present high school plant represents an investment of approximately \$20,000.00. Potter Township was given a 50 % interest in this building for a consideration of \$4,000.

Under the terms of the agreement between the two boards, Potter Township and Centre Hall borough will share alike in the expenses of upkeep of the building, while the cost of maintenance, including all items entering into the conduct of the school, such as teachers' salaries, text books, supplies, fuel, etc. will be borne by the districts on a pro rata basis, determined by the annual enrollment of students from each district.

Potter township benefits through the borough's comparatively high return on State appropriation on teachers' salaries, since all high school appropriation will be pooled before the cost per pupil is determined. The granting of a 50 % interest in the present building for only \$4,000.00 was a decided advantage to the township as is likewise the arrangement whereby all township district grade schools will be in the hands of the supervising principal of the high school, who will make regular visits, in his official capacity, establishing a uniform system of instruction, placing township pupils on an equality with borough pupils in preparation for high school entrance.

The new addition calls for a structure 116 feet by 69 feet, attached to the rear of the present building. It will provide an assembly room, or community hall, accomodating upwards of 700 persons; additional class rooms, lockers, a principal's private office, stage of sufficient proportions to be used for class room work and a basketball court.

December 3, 1935 . . . The Potter township school board this evening organized by electing John W. Delaney, president and Bruce W. Ripka, vice-pres. M. A. Burkholder was re-elected at the Nov. election, consequently there was no change in the personnel

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of the board. The other members are George H. McCormick, secretary and Arthur L. Slutterbeck.

The Centre Hall school board re-organized at the same time, electing W. W. Kerlin, president, following Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick-retiring from the board, and F. V. Goodhart, vice-pres. Other members of the board are Edw. E. Bailey, treasurer; Ralph S. Hagan and Dr. H. R. White, the latter being the new member.

December 13, 1935 . . . The Centre Hall borough and Potter township school boards met this evening and effected the organization of the Centre Hall-Potter Joint High School, with election of the following officers, whose terms expire July 1st., next: President, W. W. Kerlin; Vice-pres., M. A. Burkholder; Secretary, David K. Keller (non-member); Treasurer, Edw. E. Bailey.

Bids were opened on the three major operations connected with the building of the proposed new addition. The successful bidders were: General Construction, John H. Henszey, State College - \$27,850 - Heating and Ventilating, E. Keeler, Williamsport - \$3,470 - Electric wiring, Electric Supply Co., Clearfield, - \$2,497.

Attorney for the new board, William Litke, Bellefonte; Architect, W. D. Shollenberger, Williamsport.

January 30, 1936 . . . Extremely heavy snows have fallen during the past several weeks beginning Saturday, the 18th. It was impossible to keep secondary roads open and finally all efforts failed in attempts to keep open to travel even on the main highways. By measurement the depth of snow has been found to be as great as 35 inches. Twenty-two persons, returning home from the State Farm Show, Harrisburg, were stranded for several days at the Lloyd Smith home at Centre Hill. This group consisted of persons from Bellefonte, Beach Creek, and the following who were practically "within sight of home": Fred Slack and daughters, Jean and Sarah, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Homan, daughter Mildred and Mrs. Homan's mother, Mrs. H. G. Strohmeier, and Miraim Homan.

Snow plows and an army of men with shovels were kept busy for more than a week in finally getting the highways open to travel. Many roads had to be opened and re-opened several times as the shifting winds continued to deposit the snow at the most unwelcomed places. Large caterpillar tractors and a rotary finally succeeded in throwing tons upon tons of snow sufficient distance from the roadbed to successfully effect a permanent clearance.

February 20, 1936 . . . The property, consisting of house, stable and lot, on the corner of Main and Sarah streets, owned by the Thos. L. Smith estate, was recently sold to Fred Homan, local plumber and hardware dealer. He and Mrs. Homan expect to occupy the place.

March 12, 1936 . . . At a regular meeting of the Centre Hall school board, provisions were made for completion of the projects that had been under way past months at the Grade school building. This had been under Works Progress Administration (WPA) until the government funds allocated were exhausted.

Improvements consist of excavation of cellar, drilling of cess-pool, installing hot water heating system, on which Fred Homan was successful bidder, erecting fire escape, installing inside toilets, drinking fountains, etc.

March 26, 1936 . . . The extremely heavy snows that fell during the winter, throughout the eastern section of the country, seemingly one piling upon the other without any appreciable melting, were recently followed by torrential rains, resulting in many millions of dollars damage and considerable loss of life. The State Sec'y of Agriculture estimates damage to farmers to be in excess of two million dollars with incomplete figures of losses as follows: 11,000 fowls and 6,000 head of livestock drowned, 4,000 fruit trees destroyed; 4,000 acres destroyed beyond reclamation; 600 acres winter wheat ruined, 1,700 farm buildings destroyed and 400 farm families made homeless.

Cities and towns along the rivers suffered tremendously.

The local Red Cross, in conjunction with the Boy Scout organization, with the use of several Kerlin poultry farm trucks, solicited the citizens of Centre Hall and among the farmers in the community and found a most generous response to calls for food, clothing, etc. for the residents of the flood-stricken areas in Lewistown. Many truck-loads of supplies, including 45 ten-gallon cans of milk, were transported over the mountains to the Lewistown Y. M. C. A., the distribution being in charge of Dr. Alexander and D. B. Gardner, Lewistown citizens. Additional large quantities of milk were offered but could not be cared for as Lewistown was without electric service and had no cooling facilities.

Centre Hall came in for its share of high waters. For the past week the Fire Company has been busily engaged in pumping, pumping, pumping, - from cellar to cellar, - where heating furnaces were inundated fifty percent or more, - fruit, vegetables, etc. floating about. A half dozen lakes formed within the borough limits, most of the water coming up out of sink holes that ordin-

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arially served in carrying off surface water. Several cellars in the central portion of town were almost completely filled.

There was no railroad service for a number of days but eventually a quantity of mail found its way to Shamokin and from there it was trucked, Sunday the 20th, to State College and enroute Millheim, Spring Mills and Centre Hall mail was delivered. More than 1,000 pieces of first class mail was in this consignment to the Kerlin poultry farm, the First National Bank received all of its Federal Reserve mail, covering the period service had been at a stand-still.

Schools were closed due to inability to operate heating systems. It was an experience long to be remembered.

. . . Chas. W. Slack has been named, by Gov. Earle, a Justice of the Peace for Centre Hall borough, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of F. Kryder Frank, elected at the last borough election. Mr. Slack has rented the room, lately occupied by the Fire Co., on Church Street.

April 16, 1936 . . . The Centre Hall Meat Market was recently sold by John H. Knarr, successor to John G. Dauberman, to Frank R. Snook of Milroy.

. . . Sand is no longer being used by C. H. Homan, the marble dealer, to cut letters and characters on tombstones and monuments. Angular steel grit takes its place, and eliminates a very great portion of the dust nuisance.

May 7, 1936 . . . The Jerre Shunk property, located on the corner of Hoffer Street and Spruce Alley, was sold recently to Mrs. Lettie Glasgow, who will occupy the place next fall.

May 29, 1936 . . . The Bellefonte Boy Scout Troop and county executive officers of the Boy Scouts of America will hold a public induction service for the Centre Hall Boy Scout Troop this evening in the high school. Following is the organization of the local troop:

Troop Committee: Rev. L. Arthur Wagner, Daniel Daup, W. W. Kerlin, J. Ernest Wagner, J. F. Wetzel, Scoutmaster, R. S. Jamison, Assistant Scoutmaster, G. Woodrow Bradford, Scribe.

Fox Patrol: - Wm. Kerlin, Jr., Patrol Leader; Donald Foust, Assistant Patrol Leader; Charles Ramer, Dean Runkle, John Amos Haugh Kirkpatrick, Russell Reish.

Owl Patrol: - Dean Bradford, Patrol Leader; Robert Foust, Assistant Patrol Leader; Robert Goodhart, Kenneth Runkle, James Gerhart, Harold Smith, Edgar Harter, Wm. Garis.

Bear Patrol: - Bob Wetzel, Patrol Leader; Robert Gerhard, Assistant Leader; Woodrow Bradford, Francis Snyder, John Knarr, Jr.

. . . Curtis Reiber, a milk Distributor in Centre Hall for a number of years, sold the business to Kenneth Frank, and beginning next month the new owner will begin distribution. The sale includes a truck, capping and bottling outfit, sterilizer and boiler. The business, for the present, will be conducted from the Reiber place. Ernest A. Frank, brother of Ken, is a silent partner in the new firm.

June 5, 1936 . . . The Centre Hall High School graduation exercises, - the thirty-fifth annual, - was held in Grange Park Auditorium this evening. Those twenty to graduate were:

Wm. McClenahan, Ethel Meyer, Philip -Smith, -Marie -Walker, Chris Morrow, Woodrow Bradford, Roberta Smith, Kenneth Frank, Donald Coldron, Mildred Smith, Kenneth Dutrow, Margaret Ross, Dean Fetterolf, Gertrude Meeker, James Bradford, Bernice Frazier, Eugene Weaver, Sara Slack, John Delaney, Alice Spyker.

July 23, 1936 . . . Roy S. Jamison resigned his position as teacher in the local high school to accept a similar position in the State College high school. Prof. Jamison came to Centre Hall from Mifflinburg seven years ago, and after teaching in the grades was placed on the high school faculty. His uniformly good service made him a valuable school man. He is a graduate of Penn State and a year ago received his Master's degree.

. . . Tuesday morning, 21st., ground was broken for erection of a new residence by W. W. Kerlin. The plot, having a frontage of 106 feet, is located on west side of Pennsylvania Avenue, between the Mrs. Strohecker (formerly David Meyer) residence and the L. O. Packer (originally Dr. Alexander) home.

These lots remained vacant since 1901, at which time fire completely destroyed a two-story building of considerable proportions which was being employed as a hardware store, office and lodge rooms.

Construction of the new residence is in charge of contractor John H. Henszey of State College, Fred Homan of this place has been awarded sub-contract on plumbing. W. D. Shollenberger, of Williamsport, is the building architect.

Prof. John R. Bracken. Head of the department of Landscape Architecture, Penna. State College, will have full charge of the landscaping program.

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... Bradford & Company are erecting a large Fairbanks scale at their mill. The scale having a weighing capacity of almost twenty tons, large enough to not only take care of their trade, but of transient trucks heretofore not able to be accommodated in this section.

August 1, 1936 . . . The community responded handsomely this evening to the needs of the Centre Hall Fire Co. by their liberal patronage at the festival on the high school athletic field. The gross receipts were a bit over \$300.

August 20, 1936 . . . Richard S. Bailey, owner and operator of short-wave radio station W8KQQ, at Centre Hall, is dismantling his very powerful station. The receiving apparatus was consigned this week to a party in Ontario, Canada, and the powerful transmitter, capable of sending messages around the world, will find a likely buyer in Cuba, since negotiations are now under way for a transfer to an operator on the Island.

"Dick" Bailey, who has been operating under a federal license for several years, recently secured a position in a radio laboratory in Washington, D. C.

... The Rowe property at the foot of Nittany Mountain, in the north section of Centre Hall was sold by the Rowe heirs to Lewis Garbrick, who has been engaged in producing and delivering milk to customers in town. Mr. Garbrick expects to erect a modern plant in the near future.

September 17, 1936 . . . The Slick property, located on corner of Hoffer St. and Cherry Alley was sold by Mrs. Lilian Slick to Lawrence Hartley who, with Mrs. Hartley intend to occupy their newly purchased home as soon as vacated by Glenn Corman, the present tenant.

The Slick house was originally located on the northeast corner of the lot now occupied by the Weis storeroom and was erected by the late J. O. Deininger during the early "fifties."

October 1, 1936 . . . Monday morning, Sept. 28th, the stock and fixtures in the Boozer garage became the property of R. Stanley Brooks, who for almost seven years was employed by J. Shannon Boozer, former owner of the business. Mr. Boozer, a few months ago, became a salesman for the Automotive Supply Company, State College. The new owner will do business under the name of Brooks Service Station.

October 15, 1936 . . . Monday morning four crews, each consisting of a State licensed Veterinarian and four assistants, started the annual fall blood-testing of the Kerlin-strain leghorns. This work is financed and under the supervision of W. W. Kerlin local poultryman and hatchery operator. A quantity of blood is drawn from each of more than 70,000 chickens, placed in individually

marked vials and shipped to the State laboratory, Harrisburg, where they are tested for any indication of presence of Pullorum Disease (Bacillary White Diarrhoea). Sealed aluminum leg bands are attached to the leg of each chicken, each bearing the individuals personal number.

November 6, 1936 . . . This evening a number of parents from Centre Hall and Potter township and nearly 100% of the teaching staff from both town and township districts met in the high school auditorium to hear Mrs. R. Meek, a state-certified Parent - teachers Association organizer explain the purposes of the organization.

The group decided to organize a local Parent-Teachers organization and elected the following officers:

Pres., Mrs. Bruce Arney; first Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. H. Potter; second Vice-Pres., Mrs. J Fred Slack; Secretary, Mrs. Chester A. Spyker; Treas. Mrs. J. F. Wetzel

December 24, 1936 . . . Mrs. F. P. Geary of Centre Hall, Supt. of the Centre County Hospital, Bellefonte, has purchased the W. W. Kerlin home, located on Penna. Ave. and Ridge Street. It is understood the place will be remodeled to accommodate two families.

. . . This week 20,000 leghorn eggs will be placed in incubators on the Kerlin's Grand View Poultry Farm. Increasing quantities will be incubated weekly throughout the season. This business was established by the late Arthur E. Kerlin in 1899 and was moved to its present location shortly after 1900. The business expanded gradually until today twenty-four employees are on the payroll during the hatching season and during the peak season approximately 30 tons of eggs are being constantly incubated.

W. W. Kerlin, the present owner, has been associated with the business since a lad of 14, and purchased the business from his father in 1929. During the past eight years over eight million, four hundred chicks have been hatched, shipments have gone into every state, Canada, Mexico and Bermuda. Considerable quantities of started and matured Leghorns are supplied the trade annually, shipments having been made to all sections of the United States and over 30 foreign countries.

. . . The pupils of the Centre Hall-Potter High school, under direction of James Myers, a member of the school faculty, presented Charles Dickens' Carol in the form of an operetta. The play por-

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trayed Old Scrooge, the miser. The principal participants were: Scrooge, Bob Wetzel; Bob Cratchit, John Dashem; Mrs. Cratchit, Sara Homan; Boy, Girl (two young Cratchits), Bill Kerlin, Marie Snyder; Tim Cratchit, Dean Smith; Belinda Cratchit, Bertha Bradford; Peter Cratchit, Donald Fous; Fred (Scrooge's nephew), Russell Reish; Jacob Marley, Geo. Heckman; Waifs who sing for pennies, Dear Bradford, Miriam Homan; Collectors for charity, Alfred Reish, Jack Kirkpatrick; 1st Sprite, Lois Reese; 2nd Sprite, Mary Neff; Memory, Lois Arney.

January 7, 1937 . . . Centre Hall has again enjoyed a very merry Christmas season and the following students, and others who have spent the Yuletide with us, have aided in no small measure by their presence in the old home town:

Students: Sarah Odenkirk, Betty Ebright, Muth Bailey, Jack Coldron, Jane Campbell, Fred Spyker, Penn State; Roberta Smith, Williamsport.

Others from various walks in life: Evelyn Colyer, N. Y. City; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Colyer, Lewistown; Russell Colyer, Williamsport; Isabel Bradford, Danville; Bruce D. Rowe, Bloomfield, N. J.; Loraine Brungart, Danville; Mrs. Samuel Grove, Millville, Del.; Cora Luse, Altoona; Elizabeth Royer, Port Matilda; Grace Wible, Beaver Springs; Richard Bailey, Washington, D. C.; Thelma Clark, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur McClellan, Lock Haven; Vinton McClellan, Washington, D. C.; John Spyker, York; Eugene Burkholder, Winfield; Charlotte Keller, Buck Hill Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goodhart, Johnstown; Prof. L. O. Packer, Pittsburgh; Margaret Alexander, Philadelphia; Prof. and Mrs. W. W. Reitz, Bath, N. Y.; Mrs. John Rowe and son, Jack, Atlantic City; Mr. and Mrs. John M. Keller, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Irwin, Greensburg; Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Keller, Laurel, Del.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Auman, Rebersburg; Mrs. Ernest Auman, Irvington, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Sarl Mastellar, Dewart; Mrs. Grace Lee, State College; George Luse, Huntingdon; Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Briningger and daughter, Johnstown; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Boggs, Herminie.

. . . While flying targets were used in a "shoot" held New Year's day at the home of farmer Charles B. Smith near Centre Hill. The best score out of a possible 50 was 30, by Mr. Smith. Others scored: R. S. Hagan, 27; Andrew Mark, 24; Donald Smith, 23; Rev. D. R. Keener, 20; Daniel S. Daup, 18.

. . . William E. McCormick purchased the home he and Mrs. McCormick and young son have occupied during the past two years. The property was purchased from W. W. Kerlin. It was erected about fifty years ago by the late J. Wesley Whiteman, and has always been kept in good repair.

. . . One of the most largely attended horse sales ever held in Centre Hall was that of Wm. Gruenwald's held on the 4th. Twenty-

six South Dakota horses were sold at an average price of \$166.75. Mr. Gruenwald has held many successful sales here.

January 25, 1937 . . . The Centre Hall Fire Company held its annual meeting tonight, electing the following officers for the ensuing year: Pres., J. Shannon Boozer; Vice-Pres., Wilbur Henney; Treas., D. Milton Bradford; Secretary, Franklin D. Goodhart. Cash on hand, as per audit, \$318. 67.

February 4, 1937 . . . Centre Hall's "President's Birthday Party" was a signal success, - more than 500 danced so that others may walk. The gross receipts were \$356. 90. The net profits from this, as well as from many thousands of similar parties throughout the United States, will be used in the fight against infantile paralysis. The local committees were:

General Chairman: Roy S. Jamison.

General Committee: F. V. Goodhart, S. W. Smith, H. L. Ebright, C. A. Spyker, W. W. Kerlin, C. W. Boozer, D. S. Daup.

Program and Entertainment: H. L. Ebright, Mrs. J. F. Wetzel, Florence Brooks, Russell Bohn, Geo. Sweeney, Dr. C. H. Light, Thomas Hosterman, T. F. Delaney, Mrs. J. H. Knarr Mrs. R. S. Hagan, Mrs. Fred Homan, J. S. Boozer Wayne Bitting, Mrs Geo. Rimmey, Mary Fortney, Sarah Ennist, Betty Ebright, Bertha Sharer.

Decorating: Ernest Frank, Helen White, Reuben Rickert, Lynn Breon, Franklin D. Goodhart, Stella Hosterman, Genevieve Ruble, Harvey Flink, Wm. Keller, Paul Martz, Robert Bradford, Dorothy Brown.

Patronesses: Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. J. W. Bradford, Mrs. Guy Corman, Janet Beman, Mrs. M. Mamolen, Mrs. C. M. Watts, Mrs. Homer Fetterolf, Mrs. Miriam Tressler, Mrs. F. P. Geary, Lida McCloskey, Mrs. Mae Gramley, Helen Geer, Mrs. Gertrude Whitmer.

Ticket Sales: Wm. McCormick, Meredith Coldron, Elizabeth Bartholomew, Coleman Wingard, Paul Fetterolf, Ernest Wagner, William Thomas, Geo. McCormick, Stanley Brooks, Hayes Ralston, Mrs. Harold Bradford, Josephine Stover, Garman Matter, Newton Crawford, Homer Fetterolf, Russell Condo, Morris Mamolen, Dr. T. G. McQueen, Samuel Ross, John Patterson, Edwin Dale.

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Place: R. S. Hagan, V. A. Auman, Roy Dutrow, D. K. Keller, John Delaney, Bruce Runkle, J. H. Knarr, George Johnson, M. A. Burkholder, Mrs. Wilbur Henney, Robert Meeker, Mrs. Robert Neff, Mrs. Edgar Miller, Geo. Ralston, Bruce Ripka.

Door Tickets: D. Milton Bradford, Fred Slack, Harry Potter, Bruce Arney, William Colyer, Alfred Reish, John Burkholder, Thomas Foss, M. W. Shreffler, Hugh Croomslick.

Refreshments: Mrs. Roy Jamison, Mrs. Harold Durst, Mrs. Reuben Rickert, Mrs. M. A. Burkholder, Paul Zellers, Edw. Durst, Mrs. Chester A. Spyker, D. Cleveland Mitterling, Harold Bradford, Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Mrs. Kryder Frank, Ida Frazier, John Rishel, Mrs. Lovan Smith, Mrs. Daniel Daup, Pauline Burkholder, Dorothy Brown, Ruth Reiber, Alice Spyker, Bernice Frazier, Louise Miller, Mabel Foust, Geraldine Bradford, Bertha Bradford, Jean Slack, Mildred Homan.

Floor: D. W. Bradford, Curtis Reiber, John Coldron, Wm. D. Shoop, Geo. Vogt, John Heckman, Edgar Miller, J. Cloyd Brooks, Fred Homan, Bruce Knarr, Clayton Homan, Ed. Vogt, Geo. Rimmey, Wm. Hanna, Blaine Leister.

Publicity: E. E. Bailey, Dr. H. R. White, Mrs. Warren Homan, Mrs. J. S. Boozer, Kryder Frank, James Fetterolf, W. Ab. Emery.

Telegrams to the President: Elizabeth Bartholomew, Freda Burkholder, Miriam Mitterling.

Pages: Wm. Kerlin, Jr., Mary Swartz, Robert Arney, Isabel Musser, Dean Bradford, Dolores Condo.

Checkrooms: Committee from local Boy Scout Troop.

Entertainment of a high order was furnished by the Penn State Varsity Male Quartet. The Bill Bottorf Orchestra of fourteen pieces furnished the music for round and square dancing, the inimitable Rufus Hettinger being the master of ceremonies. The party was held in the Centre Hall-Potter High School building, both new and old sections being occupied. The gym was elaborately decorated and presented a delightful appearance.

February 11, 1937 . . . The Centre Hall Business Men's Ass'n. opened its 1937 season of visits by spending about three hours at the Titan Metal plant, Bellefonte. In passing through the plant one is confronted everywhere with massive machinery. A product peculiar to the Titan plant is the extruded brass rods, and this forms the plant's major portion of their present output. The process is one in which billets of brass, 26 inches long by 6 inches in

diameter, after being heated, are forced through dies of various sized openings. The "squeeze" back of them is hydraulic pressure of two million pounds.

In the forging department brass products weigh from half an ounce to twenty pounds. These very incomplete descriptions apply to only a few of the operations one sees in passing through the plant, whose name, Titan, indicates strength.

The company employs between 500 and 600 men, approximately ten percent of these are said to be from the south side of Centre county. A large percentage of these come from Centre Hall, Potter and Gregg townships.

March 11, 1937 . . . The William S. Walker property on Church street was recently sold by him to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ralston of State College. The home, nicely located, will be remodeled throughout and made into a duplex apartment house. Mrs. Ralston will be remembered as Miss Helen Bohn of Centre Hall.

March 25, 1937 . . . This morning Lynn Ross became mail messenger between the Centre Hall post office and the L. & T. railroad mail car. Mr. Ross became the successor to Bruce H. Knarr who has accepted a clerical position with the Titan metal company of Bellefonte.

. . . By an action taken recently by the borough council, in special session, that part of Pennsylvania Avenue, between the railroad crossing and the south borough line will be rebuilt wholly at the cost of the state. A considerable portion of the grade will be lowered and a good portion of "Old Fort Hill" will be removed.

April 1, 1937 . . . Movings in Centre Hall are, this year, down to a minimum. Robert Neff to his farm near Tusseyville; he is followed to the Alexander place by Harold Bradford and following Bradford, Meredith Coldron moves from the Odenkirk apartments.

Paul Hironimus vacates his mother's home on Allison street to occupy a farm at Zion. His successors are Mr. and Mrs. Emory Floray, newlyweds. Frank Smith moves from the Zettle house to his new home on Allison street. The vacancy created is filled by Franklin Sharer who comes from the Decker (formerly Carson) farm near Potters Mills.

W. W. Kerlin will occupy his new home while Roy S. Jamison succeeds him. The place vacated by the Jamisons will be occupied

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by Lewis Garbrick, who recently acquired it by purchase from the Rowe estate, Paul Lingle who is beginning farming on his father's farm, near Tusseyville, will be followed by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lingle from the farm home.

April 23, 1937 . . . Today, John H. Puff finished excavating the 358th grave in the local cemetery, since becoming the official grave-digger back in 1914. The cemetery plot is on a limestone ridge, and it is not infrequent that explosives must be used with great skill.

June 2, 1937 . . . Commencement exercises for Centre Hall-Potter high school's 1937 graduates were fittingly observed this evening in the H. S. auditorium. The following twenty-one pupils were awarded diplomas:

Charles Ramer, Mabel Foust, Donald Barger, William Thomas, Geo. Heckman, Alfred Reish, Kathryn Smith, Geo. Homan, Geraldine Bradford, Bob Wetzel, Louise Miller, Dick Johnston, Eugene Emerick, Marie Snyder, Sarah Homan, Anna Mae Martz, Lois Ruble, Richard Luse, Donald Goodhart, Ardah Ishler, Harriet Smith.

June 18, 1937 . . . Who won the Donkey baseball game this evening, - the businessmen or the farmers? No one knows; no one cares. Really, the Donkeys won the game. They did as they pleased, took nothing off their riders, the umpire or the fans. For downright stubbornness, orneryness, and don't-give-a-d—ness, you can't beat a donkey.

A soft ball is used, all players except pitcher, catcher and batter are mounted on donkeys. When the batter hits the ball he immediately takes to the back of a donkey - or does he? - attempting to reach the base ahead of the thrown ball which can be thrown on'y from a donkey's back. The animals are individually trained to do their own little tricks and they do them to perfection. One will carry the batter to third instead of first, - try as the rider may, to convince him otherwise. And there is a donkey or two that just don't enjoy the presence of a rider and they have the cutest methods of causing the rider to dismount.

Almost one thousand, - 942 to be exact - paid admission to witness the game. Gross receipts were \$200.25, of which the Centre Hall baseball club received as its share, \$80.25. The line-up:

Business Men: Geo. Vogt, c; Geo. Johnson, p; Garman Matter, p; Ed. Vogt, 1b; Stanley Brooks, 2b; Sidney Riegel, 3b; Fred Luse, lf; Isaiah Emery, cf; Fred Homan, rf.

Farmers: John Rimmey, c; Hayes Ralston, p; Robert Horner, 1b; Wm. McCocl, 2b; Wallace Bohn, 3b; Ernest Homan, lf; Henry Zerby, cf; Ray Decker, rf.

July 1, 1937 . . . Today, Howard E. Emery becomes the successor to his father in the general mercantile business which had been conducted by him for twenty-eight years. Mr. Emery purchased the general store equipment and stock from Wm. H. Meyer in 1909.

August 5, 1937 . . . This evening the Centre Hall-Potter school board elected David I. Graybill, Middleburg, to succeed William E. McCormick, who recently resigned to accept a position as a research technician in the laboratory of the Wilson Products Co., Reading. Mrs. R. S. Jamison, English teacher, was named assistant to the principal.

September 2, 1937 . . . At a meeting held Monday night (Aug. 30) the Centre Hall borough council accepted the PWA project providing for the improving of Locust Street, leading from Pennsylvania Avenue (more popularly known as Main Street) to Hoffer Street at the Centre Hall-Potter High School. The action was unanimous.

The improvement calls for a roadway topped with ameasite, building five-foot walk on either side, and an outside supporting curb. Another feature is the extending of the main water line from the east side of Penna. Ave. to the line on Hoffer St., and a fire plug at the end of the new line. The borough is liable for the material only. The Federal Government will furnish the labor, the Council buys materials at prices it considers fair. The cost of the two walks, exclusive of the alley crossings, will be borne by the adjoining property owners, as provided for by borough ordinance.

The borough council did itself great credit in accepting the project - a permanent, useful improvement for the benefit of all.

September 10, 1937 . . . John B. Wert, of Tusseyville, closed a deal today with Charles Foust whereby he became the owner of the Foust property on West Church Street, better known as the MacMerran home. Mr. and Mrs. Wert will occupy their new home next spring when they will surrender the farm in favor of their son, Kenneth.

October 1, 1937 . . . Centre Hall's soccer team outplayed the husky State College eleven this afternoon to the tune of 2 to 0. From the blowing of the starting whistle the orange and black players displayed such enthusiasm and determination that they were not to be denied.

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State played a hard game but could not match the skill of green but well-balanced Centre Hall eleven. Nine of the Centre Hall first team are new men.

Outstanding for the locals were Captain Ralph Arney, George Martz, Bill Kerlin, Dean Runkle and Bucky Dashem. Two "frosh" who showed up well in the game are the McCormick brothers, Don and Clarence. The lineup:

Position—Centre Hall	State College
O. R. Bradford	Bender
I. R. Runkle-Bradford	White
C. F. K. Runkle	Breon
I. L. C. McCormick	Yeagley
O. L. Martz	J. Stavely
R. H. Dashem	Weise
C. H. D. McCormick	E. Stavely
L. H. Arney (Capt.)	Farks
O. F. Reish	Miller
I. F. Sharer	Struck
G. Kerlin	Billett

November 4, 1937 . . . D. C. Bohn, tenant on the Brockerhoff farm, near Old Fort, purchased one of Miss Sarah McClenahan's residence properties in Centre Hall but will continue to farm for another year before moving to town. The property was erected during the Civil War period by the late Alexander Kuhn and by him sold to Jacob From. The place at the death of Mr. From was acquired by his son, Jacob C. From, and later by his son, James E., who sold it to Miss McClenahan.

. . . The fall election is over and the following borough officers were elected:

Judge of Election, W. B. Hanna; Inspector of Election, Fernie Homan; School Directors, Fred Luse, F. V. Goodhart; Councilmen, W. A. Alexander, Geo. H. Stover, W. F. Keller; Burgess, Ernest A. Frank; Auditor, Geo. Sweeney; Tax Collector, C. D. Partholomew; Justice of the Peace, Chas. W. Slack; Constable, Blaine Leister.

November 18, 1937 . . . Guy W. Jacobs, at the National convention of the National Association of Ice Industries held at Cleveland, Ohio, last week was elected president of the association, being elevated from the position of general manager. As the head of the association he will direct the national policies of 3,500 member ice companies throughout the United States and Canada.

Mr. Jacobs is a former Centre Hall boy, a product of Centre Hall high school and Pennsylvania State College. Mr. Jacobs has lived in Steubenville, Ohio, for a number of years.

December 23, 1937 . . . The recently organized Centre Hall-Potter high school band, under the leadership of David I. Graybill, is making progress and it is believed that Centre Hall will shortly have a musical organization of which every citizen of the town and townhsip can rightfully be proud.

January 6, 1938 . . . The Garbrick milk route and a portion of the pasteurizing plant in Center Hall has been purchased by James D. Brooks and beginning tomorrow the service will be available.

. . . The three-story dwelling located next to the Lutheran church on Church street was purchased a few days ago by J. Shannon Boozer who, with his family, expect to shortly move into it. The property was a part of the D. A. Boczer esiate and was erected by George Harpster, one of the Harpster brothers, who carried on blacksmithing.

March 30, 1938 . . . The Centre Hall Cafe, located in the Bartholcmew building, was turned over today to the new owner, Mrs. J. M. Coldron. The Cafe has been conducted, very successfully, for the past twelve years by Mr. and Mrs. D. Cleveland Mitterling.

April 7, 1938 . . . The excavation for a water line on Locust street (from Penna. Ave. to Hoffer St., opposite high school building) revealed the presence of a fill of about four feet in depth along the western end of the street. During the early history of Centre Hall, clay had been removed from a wide area in this section for burning bricks, the kilns having been located on the present lots, facing Hoffer St., now owned by Mrs. Elmer Runkle and Lawrence Hartley, Of course this excavation had been made many years prior to the opening of Locust and Hoffer streets, which took place about 1887. The depression was filled with soft bricks from the then abandoned kilns and with stone.

The unearthing of these bricks resulted in numerous local citizens, - particularly those of advanced ages, - to turn back the pages of memory and here's an interesting discussion overheard in one of the borough's favorite loafing places:

Bill: What's on your mind, John?

John: Not much . . . just thinking about some of the old brick buildings in town.

Bill: Yeah?

John: Yep!

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Bill: Sounds interesting, - start talking.

John: Well Bill, the first brick dwelling erected in town was the Dr. Peter Neff place, erected at the beginning of the Civil War by the then young physician. It was later occupied for years by the Doctor's daughter, Mrs. Flora O. Bairfoot and is now owned by James I. Fetterolf who, until the spring of 1941, conducted an auto service station. Right now, you know, it's vacant as "Jim" and wife moved to their new home in Mifflin County.

Bill: And where did the brick come from?

John: They were burned right here at home. The earliest kilns were set up on the south side of the Brush Valley road, close to the borough line and the later kilns were close to the present High School building, on the east side of Hoffer Street.

Bill: And they were good brick at that. I understand the brick used in the first Lutheran church, which was located on the south side of West Church Street, - where the David K. Keller residence now stands were also made in Centre Hall.

John: Right you are. The church was erected in 1862-1863, dedicated February 21, 1863 and the brick came from the first kiln mentioned. Some of the brick in the present church, the third, which were also in the second Lutheran church built in the early seventies, were taken from this first church.

Bill: That's making brick do triple service and indicates they were made right.

John: About the time the first Lutheran church was built the Dinges property, now owned by Wm. H. Homan, was erected by Jacob Dinges, a saddler. The Frank Herlacher place, now owned by Miss Cora Luse and occupied by her and her mother, Mrs. Clement Luse, was built a little later.

Bill: Were there any other buildings built from home-made bricks?

John: Oh, yes. There's the Arney place, east of town, along the Brush Valley road. This was erected in the latter sixties, before the Harlacher place.

Bill: I happen to know that the present Lutheran church was built in 1885. The brick were burned here and bought by B. David Brisbin, one of the contractors, for \$7.00 per 1,000.

John: About 1870 a Mr. Zerby came here from Williamsport and started the second brick kilns. He was also a contractor and builder. His first effort was the Fred Kurtz house, now occupied by Miss Sara McClenahan and her brothers, John and Clymer. Then

followed the Levi Murray place, now owned by Edw. E. Bailey, the J. C. Goodhart home, built by Horace Zerby; the grade school house, the Methodist church, the Simon Harper house, the Cyrus Brungart house, now owned by Chester Spyker and occupied by Mr. Spyker and family. The two latter places were erected by J. O. Deininger, the Zerbys doing the brick work.

Bill: Well, John, that's mighty interesting information regarding the oldest brick buildings around town, - particularly since they were mostly made of bricks burned right here at home. By the way, seems to me I recall something about a Farner brick kilns.

John: That's right, - they were located near the present site of our Centre Hall-Potter High School. The name, as I recall, was Samuel S. Farner and he was assisted by his sons. They were also contractors and builders.

Bill: The Dr. J. F. Alexander place, now owned by Prof. L. O. Packer and the John Dauberman, Sr., home, now owned by a grandson, John H. Knarr, were also built many years ago, and there's the Penns Valley Banking Co. structure, which I believe was built back in about 1877 . . . Interesting, eh John?

April 28, 1938 . . . During the recent past, Vernon Garbrick purchased three building lots from Mrs. Mary Stahl. The lots are located on the west side of the concrete highway in the north section of town. Mr. Garbrick has been conducting a successful welding business in town for a number of years and anticipates erecting a home and business place that will permit expansion in equipment and machinery.

May 26, 1938 . . . With the close of the present school term, Thomas L. Moore, teacher of the 5th and 6th grades will terminate his teaching profession after forty-four years of service in the school rooms. Mr. Moore began teaching in the fall of 1894. His entire school work was given in Potter township, teaching in the Earlytown, Centre Hill, Plum Grove, Manor Hill and Pine Stump schools and in the grades in the borough schools. Mr. Moore has tendered his resignation and is eligible for retirement under the Act of the State School Employees' Retirement System.

. . . A large number of letters mailed at the Centre Hall Post Office were dispatched by plane on the 20th inst. at 1:10 p. m. on the

HEADQUARTERS

DIAMONDS AND WATCHES

W. E. CROSSLEY

BELLEFONTE, PA.

first air-mail pick-up from a field at Centre Hall. Sherman Lutz, of the State College Air Depot, made a beautiful landing on a field bordering on State Highway 95, on the James L. Decker farm, a mile east of town.

May 31, 1938 . . . The 1938 Centre Hall-Potter High School commencement is history. The exercises were held this evening in the H. S. auditorium. Those to graduate were:

John Kirkpatrick, Jean Slack, Miriam Fetterolf, Helen Haskell, Lois Reese, John Dashem, Dean Runkle, Agnes Neff, Floyd Dashem, Mildred Homan, George Emerick, Freda Weaver, Donald Foust, Geraldine Dutrow, Ralph Arney, Robert Gerhart, Robert Frazier, Mildred Meyer, Robert Blazer.

June 23, 1938 . . . Internal Affairs secretary, Thos. A. Logue approved a \$5,000 bond issue authorized by Centre Hall borough to fund \$2,000 floating indebtedness and pay for \$3,000 worth of street and sewer improvements.

July 7, 1938 . . . R. Stanley Brooks, of the Brooks Service Station, was appointed a Notary Public in Centre Hall by Governor Geo. H. Earle.

July 14, 1938 . . . Members of the Centre Hall Business Men's Association, to the number of twenty-nine, made their annual tour to an industrial plant today. The first to be visited was the Armstrong Cork Co., at Lancaster. Armstrong is the largest manufacturers of linoleum, corks, corkboard insulation, cork pipe covering, composition and insulating brick in the United States. The second largest makers of felt-base rugs and floor-covering and a factor of material importance in molded closures, crown caps, cork tile, asphalt tile, rubber tile, and numerous other specialties.

The second industry to be visited was the Hamilton Watch Company establishment. The Hamilton watch is perfection to the 'nth degree, - seventeen jeweled watch of "Railroad Accuracy".

In the party were T. A. Hosterman, R. Stanley Brooks, Ralph S. Hagan, Daniel S. Daup, Fred E. Luse, W. W. Kerlin, Howard Emery, D. W. Bradford, Geo. H. Stover, J. Wm. Bradford, I. C. McClenahan, Edgar W. Miller, Geo. Sweeney, Fred Homan, James Searson, D. C. Mitterling, H. R. White, James Brooks, Clayton H. Homan, W. A. Henney, J. Shannon Boozer, Edw. Vogt, Sidney Riegel, William Campbell, S. W. Smith, C. W. Boozer, Edw. E. Bailey, Geo. Lutz and Roy Dutrow.

August 18, 1938 . . . Through an appointment in which the borough council, the school board and county commissioners had a hand, Miss Helen Bartholomew was appointed tax collector for Centre Hall. Her appointment is for the unexpired term of her brother, Charles D. Bartholomew, whose lamented death occurred Wednesday, 3rd inst.

... Clifford A. Rickard, Dist. Mgr., Cooperative Life Insurance Co. of America . . . Only one out of 10 is independent at age of 65 . . . Look at these figures: 1 rich; 4 well off; 5 living on earnings; 54 dependent; 36 have died . . . That's what will happen to 100 men, starting at the age of 25. Life insurance is assurance of security.

September 22, 1938 . . . Fred Spyker of Centre Hall will captain the Penn State soccer team this fall from his half-back position. Fred is a product of Centre Hall-Potter High and will, we predict, do credit in his responsible position. Penn State soccer team, under the leadership of the venerable Bill Jeffrey, has not been defeated since 1932. (Publisher's note: Indeed, Fred did do a grand job as Captain - and to the close of the 1940 season Penn State holds to their record of no defeats since 1932.

February 24, 1939 . . . At a special board meeting of the First National Bank of Centre Hall, today, Don E. Miller of Mill Hall was elected to serve as an additional clerk. Mr. Miller is a graduate of Penn State in the School of Commerce.

March 9, 1939 . . . Thirty-one boys and girls from Centre Hall and vicinity formed a 4-H Club at a meeting held at Centre Hall this evening. Donald Smith was named president, Inez Luse vice-pres., Mary Delaney secretary-treas., Lois Homan song leader and Gilbert Ralston news reporter. Richard Luse was chosen as acting 4-H Club leader.

March 23, 1939 . . . April 1st has long been associated with "moving time" in Centre Hall and vicinity, and this year will be no exception. To date the schedule seems to be as follows:

Joe Hartley from the former Frohm home to his new home on Allison St., near the railroad. Daniel Bohn to the place vacated by Hartley, which was recently purchased by Mr. Bohn. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Packer will begin housekeeping in the apartment of Carribel Emerick when the present tenant, Mrs. Mazie Lee, locates in one of the Jennie Foreman apartments. Another couple to begin housekeeping, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martz, will locate in an apartment in the J. I. Fetterolf home.

Two families moving out of town are those of Glenn Corman and Fred B. Priest; the former locating in Millheim, the latter, former cashier of the First National Bank, will move to Emaus where Mr. Priest will be employed in a similar institution.

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Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Sharer and children will go to the Harry McClenahan home west of town. The Geo. Vogt family will occupy the Gfrerer home, W. Church St., which has been purchased, remodeled and modernized, since acquired some months past.

Other changes in town are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Evey, who but recently came to town and now living in one of the Alexander (formerly Homan) apartments will move to the Luse two-apartment house when vacated by the Priest family. Newcomers are Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Smeltzer, now living west of town in the McClenahan property. They will locate in the home formerly owned by Andrew Zettle. Mr. and Mrs. Musser Irvin will follow the Vogts on Church Street. James Settle, living in one of the Odenkirk apartments will live in the Alexander rooms, vacated by the Evys.

March 28, 1939 . . . After a service of twelve and one-half years in the Centre Hall First National Bank, Daniel S. Daup was named cashier at a meeting of directors held this evening, beginning service in that capacity immediately. Mrs. Sarah Bradford and Don Miller continue to efficiently serve as clerks.

April 22, 1939 . . . This morning, between the hours of 11 and 12, Chester A. Wagner had an experience none to his liking. Mr. Wagner, an employee of the Kerlin Poultry Farm, while working in the mailing office was showered by shattered window glass and heard the whiz of a projectile, fired from a high-powered rifle, as it passed less than a foot above his head. The report of the rifle clearly indicated that it was fired from a point reasonably nearby.

April 29, 1939 . . . Two small boys, John Lair, 9, and Marshall Sharer, 7, lost their lives this afternoon. "Johnny", son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lair and "Marshie", son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Sharer, in company with Leroy Sharer, 9, were fishing in a sink hole which measured 82x66 feet and was filled to a depth of 18 feet with water, furnished by the winter's melting snows and spring rains. The story, as related by Leroy Sharer, brother of Marshall, indicated that the unfortunate lads had climbed upon a roll of discarded wire fencing which started to roll and pitch the boys into the water. There was little possible chance for escape as the sink was not nearly filled and the side walls were very slippery and almost perpendicular. After finding himself unable to render aid, Leroy spread the alarm but it was not until about four hours later that the bodies were recovered.

Promptly, following the spread of alarm, the Centre Hall Fire Co. pumper was on the scene, laid down its line and began pumping. Later the Pleasant Gap, Millheim, Bellefonte and State College pumpers were on hand, each working feverishly to reduce the water level. Upon recovery of the bodies, artificial respiration was resorted to by men of experience belonging to the Pleasant Gap and State College rescue squads, but to no avail.

May 18, 1939 . . . The executors of the estate of C. Grace Smith, deceased, late of the borough of Centre Hall, sold the Smith residence on Pennsylvania Ave. and a plot of five acres bordering on the east side of Miles Alley. The house and lot was purchased by William Luse, farmer and builder, who resides east of Centre Hall. Mr. Luse will remodel the house to accommodate two families and will build a small house on the now vacant lot. The five acres was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Colyer of Lewistown. Mr. Colyer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Colyer of town.

The Smith property joins the Centre Hotel property on the south and the large double-plank structure was erected by the late Henry Witmer, in 1854, upon discontinuing the conducting of the Centre Hall hotel. Mr. Witmer occupied the place until his death in 1880.

June 1, 1939 . . . Approximately 1100 club women crowded Buckhill Inn auditorium at Buckhill Falls, Monroe County, to hear Dr. Helen Keller ask aid for the American Foundation for the Blind. From Centre Hall there were present at the gathering Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, Mrs. D. C. Mitterling, Mrs. Henry Kimbrell, Miss Elizabeth Bartholomew.

. . . The Centre Hall-Potter High School class of '39 graduated last evening. The exercises were held in the H. S. auditorium. Those to graduate were: Reeder Sharer, Darline Foust, James Meeker, Harold Bradford, Sara Hackett, Chalmer Weaver, Goldie Rimmey, Iona Barger, Mary Ellen Haskell, Lillian Rickert, Mary Rimmey, Miriam Homan, Martha McClellan, Edna Meyer, Dorothy Glasgow, Helen Neff, Mary Swartz, William H. Kerlin, Russell Reish, Inez Luse, Frances Runkle, Jean Ross, Francis Snyder, Donald Smith.

July 20, 1939 . . . Bill Kerlin, Jr. has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in the Naval School at the Culver Military Academy in Indiana. The lad is in training under Admiral Hugh Rodman, U. S. Navy, who was in command of the U. S. fleet in the North Sea during the world war. Bill reports close to 1,000 boys enrolled in the Naval School, Wood Craft and Cavalry Camps.

. . . S. Edward Brown, Potter township farmer, purchased the former Dr. Hugh Morrow residence which is, at the present time, occupied by Paul Bradford and family. From the best information obtainable the dwelling house was erected about 1869

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September 7, 1939 . . . Local schools opened Tuesday, 5th, with increased enrollments. The Centre Hall-Potter High School faculty is: J. F. Wetzel, Supervising Principal; James A. Myers, Assistant Principal and Physical Education Director; Mary E. Taylor, English; Sarah L. Kocher, Latin and Social Studies; David I. Graybill, Science and Mathematics; Donald R. Shope, Music. Total enrollment, 135.

September 14, 1939 . . . A group of twenty-six men, members of the Centre Hall Business Men's Association enjoyed a sight-seeing trip in the Pittsburgh district yesterday and today. The plant of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, located at Creighton, twenty miles north-east of Pittsburgh today. Thirteen hundred employees in this most interesting plant turn out 43 million feet of plate glass annually.

The group took in a double-header between the Pittsburgh Pirates and Brooklyn Dodgers and topped it off with a dinner at the Schenley Hotel. The Hotel Pittsburgher was the headquarters over night.

October 19, 1939 . . . Miss Helen Odenkirk of Centre Hall, employee of the local Bell Telephone business office, located in Bellefonte, was awarded a sterling silver card tray, which she won in a service contest conducted among Bell employees in five major Pennsylvania cities during September. Congratulations!

November 2, 1939 . . . Thirty-six young people, under the guidance of Prof. J. F. Wetzel, David I. Graybill and Edward Eisenburg, of the Penna. Railroad, made a twenty-four hour tour of the New York World's Fair, leaving Lewistown Saturday morning, Oct. 28th. at 5 o'clock and returning early Sunday morning.

The commercial exhibits occupied the center of interest and, despite the meagre time, the tourists were able to see a number of the outstanding exhibits including Railroads on Parade, General Motors, Ford, Chrysler, Westinghouse, General Electric, Aviation and the City of Lights.

The High School Seniors in the group were: Lois Arney, Ray Delaney, Madaline Foust, Edgar Harter, Anna Homan, Lois Rimmey, Freda Smith and Jane Spyker.

Juniors: Agnes Delaney, Lois Homan, Ernest Lansberry, Dean Reish, Robert Rimmey, Alice Slack.

Freshmen: Ernest Frank, Jr., Jean Hanna, Betty Jane Krumine, Barbara Potter, Geraldine Rockey, John Runkle, Betty Searson, June Wagner, Eldon Whitman.

Other members of the party were Edward Crawford, Jack Glenn, Floyd Vogt and Anna Marie Whiteman of the grades; John Witmer of Colyer, James Krumrine and Ray Hile of Pleasant Gap.

November 7, 1939 . . . Three hundred and forty voters in Centre Hall borough, better than 75 percent of the registration, went to the polls today. Results in the contest were:

Judge of Election: F. D. Goodhart; Inspector of Election: Alta Leister; School Directors: R. S. Hagan, L. O. Packer; Councilmen: D. W. Bradford, Clyde Dutrow, Dr. Chas. Light, Richard Brooks; Auditor: Lovan Smith; Assessor: G. Frank Smith.

November 4, 1939 . . . Two residence properties in Centre Hall were sold today, at public sale. The Frank D. Lee home, a large brick house erected by the late Dr. George Lee, was purchased by George Sharer, farmer east of town. Mr. Sharer intends making certain necessary repairs and within a year or two the Sharer family will be welcome additions to the borough.

Immediately following the above sale, the Fred Bender property, located a few doors south of the Lee property, on Pennsylvania Ave., was sold by auctioneer "Jack" Smith to D. Cleveland Mitterling who made the purchase as an investment. The place will be shortly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Lutz, newlyweds.

November 28, 1939 . . . The Centre Hall Fire Co. held an enthusiastic meeting this evening with a large turnout of citizens, at which time the following officers were elected for the next year: Pres., Geo. Sweeney; Vice-Pres., Paul Fetterolf; Secretary, F. D. Goodhart; Treas., D. W. Bradford; Trustees, C. W. Boozer, J. W. Bradford, D. M. Bradford, W. W. Kerlin. James D. Searson was named Fire Chief. A Relief Association was formed, hence, the local company showing an accredited roster will participate in the distribution of State funds which will be sufficient to pay the premiums on a blanket insurance policy covering all members in good standing.

December 5, 1939 . . . Last evening was the time for new members on school boards to take the oath of office, and also time for reorganization. on the Centre Hall board, R. S. Hagan began his second term as director. Prof. L. O. Packer is the other newly elected member. Mr. Hagan was elected President and F. V. Goodhart Vice-Pres. The Potter Township board took on two new

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members, Maynard Barger and Edgar Rimmey. John W. Delaney was elected President, Mr. Barger Vice-Pres.

. . . Health officer, John H. Puff has been kept quite busy during the past two weeks tacking Chicken Pox quarantine notices on seventeen homes within the borough. The children affected are primarily those in the primary grade where attendance has been reduced approximately fifty percent.

December 21, 1939 . . . Centre Hall's program of Christmas music broadcast through the Bellefonte broadcasting system, was given in the St. John's Lutheran Church Monday evening, December 18th, with approximately forty singers participating.

January 1, 1940 . . . This date marks the retirement from business of David W. Bradford who, for more than forty years, dealt fairly and honorably with the farmers of this community in the sale of farm machinery and equipment. Ill health has forced Mr. Bradford to retire and his successor, George K. Rimmey, now represents the firms so well represented by Mr. Bradford these many years.

Mr. Rimmey is a capable and experienced man and bids fair to uphold the reputation established by his predecessor.

February 22, 1940 . . . The H. L. Ebright residence in Centre Hall has been purchased by Geo. H. Sweeney of Centre Hall, teacher of the Earlstown public school and star salesman for the Miller Motor Co., dealer in Chevrolet motor cars and trucks. C. H. Kimbrell, present tenant, will remain.

February 29, 1940 . . . On this date the last issue of "The Centre Reporter" was published. The newspaper has been merged with the Centre Daily Times, published at State College, which paper purchased the good will and subscription list of the reporter.

For the remaining portion of the chronologically arranged historical data presented here, we are indebted to the files of The Centre Democrat, Bellefonte, the oldest newspaper in Centre County.

The Centre Democrat was founded in 1827 by the late General Philip Benner, pioneer soldier, industrialist, road builder and sportsman, and has been published weekly for 114 years.

The present owners are Milon, Ivan and Cecil Walker, of Bellefonte, who purchased the business from Mrs. Charles R. Kurtz in April 1925. Its weekly circulation in excess of 7,000 copies makes it one of the most widely read newspapers in the United States.

With more than a half hundred correspondents throughout the county, The Centre Democrat gives complete coverage to news from all parts of this area.

March 28, 1940 . . . Visitors over the Easter vacation were Miss Evelyn Colyer of New York City, with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Colyer; Mr. and Mrs. John Spyker of York, with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Spyker; Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur McClellan and son of Lock Haven with their respective parents, Mrs. Tressie McClellan and the D. Milton Bradfords; Miriam Homan, a student in Harrisburg, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wairen A. Homan; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wigman and son of Washington, Pa., at the J. Shannon Boozer home; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoffa of Osceola Mills, with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bohn; Joe. Meyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Meyers of Altoona, with his Aunt, Mrs. Dora Odenkirk; Charlotte Keller, teacher in the Buck Hill Falls school, spent her Easter vacation with her brothers James and Harold at Lancaster and Laurel, Del.

. . . A frozen goods counter has been installed in the T. A. Hosterman "Clover Farms" store and it is a much appreciated piece of modern equipment. It is the first in this community.

. . . Sunday, March 24, Vinton McClellan, son of Mrs. Tressie McClellan, assisted Rev. Clarence Otto, pastor of the Lutheran Church, in all of the Easter Communion Services in the charge. Mr. McClellan is a Theological student at Gettysburg.

April 11, 1940 . . . Daniel Daup, Jr., Edgar W. Miller and Wm. Kerlin, Sr., flew to Washington, D. C., recently on business. The trip to the Nation's Capital was made in less than two hours. On return they flew over a large portion of the flooded area in eastern Pennsylvania, taking a number of aerial photographs of flood damage around Harrisburg, Sunbury, etc. They were piloted by "Sherm" Lutz, Chief of the State College Air Depot.

May 9, 1940 . . . At the borough school board meeting last week, Miss Geraldine Hocver, teacher in the Potters Mills schools, was elected to teach the borough third and fourth grades next year. She will fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Martha Yearick Kline.

May 16, 1940 . . . Mrs. F. V. Goodhart and Miss Elizabeth Bartholmew attended the State Federation of Women's Clubs Convention in Harrisburg today.

May 27, 1940 . . . The Senior class of the Centre Hall-Potter High School have completed their studies and are in possession of their diplomas. "Meeting the Challenge" was the theme of the

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baccalaureate sermon delivered by Rev. D. R. Keener, in the Lutheran Church. Those graduating were: Lois Arney, Dorothy Dashem, Dean Bradford, Edgar Harter, Robert Foust, Lefa Bitner, Margaret Dashem, Ray Delaney, Madeline Foust, Leona Fye, Ann Homan, Robert Homan, George Martz, George McCormick, Mary Neff, Frances Puff, Gilbert Ralston, Lois Rimmey, Lynn Ross, Jr., Freda Smith, Dean Smith, Elaine Snyder, Jane Spyker, Anthony Venerick, Florence Weaver.

June 3, 1940 . . . Eighty children enrolled this morning for Vacation Day Bible School, sponsored annually by the Centre Hall board of Christian Education, according to Rev. W. K. Hosterman, dean of the school. Following is the staff of teachers: Junior and Intermediate: Donald Shope, John A. H. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Rueben Rickert, Jane Spyker. Primary: Mrs. Clarence C. Otto, Mrs. Geo. Lutz, Betty Runkle, Lefa Bitner. Beginners: Helen White, Mrs. Ralph Packer, Ann Homan, Barbara Potter.

June 20, 1940 . . . When a man marries a girl, that's not news, but when Bride, Mother of Bride, Flower Girl and all guests are men, - THAT'S NEWS.

The Centre Hall Baseball and Softball Clubs presented "The Womanless Wedding" this evening. William Hanna blushed as the chic bride and John Knarr, Sr. meekly bowed to the yoke of Groom. Buxom but glamorous were Kenneth Frank as Kate Smith, Robert Bradford as Galli Curci, Jack Kirkpatrick as Mae West.

Among the more petite guests were Don Miller as Judy Garland, Dean Bradford, sister of the Bride, Ernest Frank, Jr., a baby. Other distinguished guests were: Jack Coldron as Franklin Delano Roosevelt; Albert Emery, slim and dignified in black lace as Mrs. Roosevelt; Eugene Burkholder and Clarence McCormick as Aunt and Uncle; Ernest Frank, Sr., the Butler; John Wert, Jr., as Zazu Pitts; John Knarr, Jr. as Maggie; Harold Bradford as Jiggs; Woodrow as Alice Faye; Jack Reigel as Aunt Jemima; Paul Fetterolf, Mother of Groom; Harold Reish, Father of Groom; Bruce Knarr, Mother of Bride; Francis Snyder as Jeanette MacDonald; Lyn Breon as Isadore Finklestein; Ralph Arney as Bing Crosby and Ralph Packer as Matilda Hefflefinger.

Sister of the Groom was Edgar Harter while Old Black Joe was impersonated by William Kerlin, Jr. Duke of Windsor by Meredith Coldron; "Wally" by Donald McCormick. The flower girl was George Michael and the Minister, Henry "Hank" Kimbrell.

A \$75.00 house roared at the antics of these ball players as Old Man Gloem took a holiday.

July 13, 1940 . . . The Carnival, held yesterday and today on Grange Park, by the Centre Hall Fire Company was a signal suc-

cess. Approximately \$700 was cleared. The members cooperated in the many details connected with the preparation of the affair.

Following were the chairmen of the various committees:

Gen. Chairman: Paul Fetterolf	Parking: Blaine Leister
Finance: D. W. Bradford	Bingo: George Johnson
Advertising: W. W. Kerlin	Soft Drinks: Stanley Brooks
Lights: J. Harold Durst	Sandwich Stands: Paul Zellers
Ice Cream, Cake: C. Burkholder	Wheels: George Sweeney
Parade: James Searson	

The affair opened last evening, July 12, with a parade which formed at the Grade School commons and the line of march was to Pennsylvania Avenue, at the Diamond, to the Geo. Johnson store, at the R. R. crossing, then counter marched to the D. W. Bradford residence where the procession turned left, on Kurtz Street, and marched directly onto the Grange Fair Grounds.

The various units that participated in the parade were these:
FIRE COMPANIES: Logan of Bellefonte, Howard, Alpha of State College, Port Matilda, Pleasant Gap, Fame of Lewistown, Burnham, Milroy, Millheim, Centre Hall.

BANDS: East Penns Valley (Millheim), Bellefonte High School, Bellefonte Banjo, Bellefonte American Legion, State College Drum and Bugle Corps, Spring Mills, Pleasant Gap, Lemont, Centre Hall-Potter High School, Elk's Marching Unit, Bellefonte.

FLOATS, ETC.: Lady of the Valley; Rebekah Lodge; Ladies' Auxiliary of Burnham Fire Co.; F. V. Goodhart, Furniture; Kerlin's Poultry Farm; Jack Kirkpatrick Photo Shop; Midget Motor Car, Vern Garbrick; First National Bank; Miniature Fire Truck by Donna and Keith Luse; Homan Marble Works; D. W. Bradford, Henry Kimbrell (Farm Machinery); Stover's Coal and Grain; Bartholomew's Insurance; Edw. O. Duist Painting; Ercoks Dairy; R. H. Hagan, Dodges and Plymouths; E. W. Millers, Chevrolets; Elk's Marching Unit, Bellefonte Lodge No. 1094.

The parade was headed by Boy Scouts, carrying the Stars and Stripes, followed by a marching unit composed of various Chiefs and Presidents of Fire Companies.

The Centre Hall Fire Company is indeed grateful to the many participants who enabled them to make this initial effort a huge success.

C. WILLIAM BOOZER, POSTMASTER

CENTRE HALL, PENNSYLVANIA

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The parade was witnessed by thousands who crowded our sidewalks, porches, etc., from one end of town to the other. By special arrangement with Burgess Ernest A. Frank, there was no parking of cars from the Diamond to Kurtz Street and wide-and-hand-some Pennsylvania Avenue was profusely decorated with streamers, flags, etc.

August 7, 1940 . . . This morning about 10:30 o'clock, Sherman Lutz, 37, State College pilot, was seriously injured, and a student pilot, Charles Neyhart, 16, son of Prof. and Mrs. Amos Neyhart, of State College, escaped serious injury when the plane they were flying plunged a thousand feet and crashed on the John Stoner farm, near the Centre Hills Country Club, three miles east of State College.

Rushed to the Centre County Hospital in Bellefonte by ambulance, Mr. Lutz was found to be suffering from a fractured and crushed right leg, fractured wrist, crush injuries and lacerations of the face, chest and arms. Lutz has had more than 6,000 hours of flying time and is recognized as one of the ablest pilots in this section. Since 1931 he has been operating the State College Air Depot and for some time has been flying instructor in charge of the Civil Aeronautics Authority Civilian Training course being carried on with the cooperation of the Government and the College.

(Note: As this copy is being prepared for this book it is a pleasure to record here that Pilot Lutz has been absolved of all blame and although he was required to spend many months in the Centre County Hospital, the expert treatment received plus "Sherm's" determination to win has resulted in his complete recovery and he is again in full charge at the State College Air Depot. The day his license was re-issued it was this writer's privilege to see Mr. Lutz "take to the air like a bird".)

August 13, 1940 . . . At a meeting of the Centre Hall Fire Company, held this evening in the auditorium of the Centre Hall-Potter High School building it was voted to purchase a new fire truck. The Ford chassis to be purchased from George Vogt, of the Vogt Motor Co., Centre Hall, and the body, with cab, from W. S. Darley & Co., Chicago. Color scheme to be white, gold lettering with black trim.

August 20, 1940 . . . Charles Slonaker has been elected to teach English and Biology in the local high school.

September 2, 1940 . . . Jack Kirkpatrick left today for New York City where he will study at the New York Institute of Photography. He will major in portraiture, processing, commercial and news photography.

October 10, 1940 . . . The Centre Hall branch of the County Library will open in the Grange Hall next week. Progress Grange, co-sponsors, with the Centre Hall Women's Club, has remodeled the room in Grange Hall, painting the walls cream, woodwork white and stained recently added shelving, mahogany.

Miss Jane Spyker, who is to be in charge of the library, is being trained by Miss Iverson, County Librarian, in the County Library, Bellefonte.

November 10, 1940 . . . The Firemen's dance, held last night in the Centre Hall-Potter High School gym, netted \$104.00 for the new fire equipment fund. There were thirty-two floor prizes, contributed by majority of the local business places. Pete Kline and his orchestra furnished the music.

November 17, 1940 . . . The new fire truck arrived this evening at 6:30. The chassis had been delivered by the manufacturers direct to the Darley Co. in Chicago, where the body, cab, pump, etc. were assembled. John Kennedy, a Darley employee, drove the truck here from Chicago. The truck is fully equipped including a 300-gallon booster tank capable of throwing a high-pressure stream immediately upon arrival at the scene of fire.

November 31, 1940 . . . "Il Trovatore", the opera by Verdi, was the subject of an address by Harvey W. Flink, before the Music Club of Centre Hall this evening which met at the home of Mrs. W. W. Kerlin

Mr. Flink began with brief comments on operas in general and then told the story of "Il Trovatore" or, "The Troubadour", supplementing the story, Mrs. Delas R. Keener played many of the arias on the piano and Mr. Flink played a number of phonograph recordings from the opera. These were from Mr. Flink's personal library which includes about 900 records, three-fourths of which are from the operas.

December 27, 1940 . . . The annual Alumni Christmas banquet was held this evening in the newly furnished room of the Centre Hall-Potter High School building. One hundred six alumni and guests attended the banquet of which Clay Reesman of Camden, N. J. was the principal speaker. Mr. Reesman quit school here in 1901 and has been away most of the time since but, as he affirmed, still considers this "home". His address was a plea for keener appreciation of the privileges of American citizenship. William Weaver showed two reels of "movie" film, taken when the school ground was landscaped. The banquet was served by the Ladies Bible Class of the Reformed Church.

Officers elected for 1941 are: President, Eugene Burkholder; Vice-Pres., Donald Coldron; Secretary, Paul Fetterolf; Treasurer,

COMPLIMENTS OF

BOYERTOWN BURIAL CASKET COMPANY

HARRISBURG, PENNA.

WALTER ZERR, Representative

Mrs. Roy Jamison. New members of the executive board are:
Mrs. Nellie Smith Geary and Mrs. Reuben S. Rickert.

Charter No. 12192

Reserve District No. 3

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
of Centre Hall

IN THE STATE OF PENNA. AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DEC. 31, 1940,
PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER
OF THE CURRENCY UNDER SECTION 5211, U. S. RE-

ASSETS

VIDE STATUTES.

Loans and discounts (including no overdrfts).....	\$328,923.19
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed.....	51,348.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions.....	4,500.00
Other bonds, notes,, and debentures.....	9,903.26
Corporate stocks including stock of Federal Reserve bank.....	1,800.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection.....	80,676.26
Bank premises owned \$18,700.00, furniture and fixtures \$7,600.00.....	26,300.00
Real estate owned other than bank premises.....	12,955.00
Total Assets.....	\$516,405.71

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations.....	\$158,126.03
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations.....	256,009.52
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings).....	11,900.00
Deposits of States and political subdivisions.....	15,000.00
Deposits of banks.....	5,000.00
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.).....	456.61
Total deposits.....	\$446,492.16
Other liabilities.....	255.00
Total Liabilities.....	\$446,747.16

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital Stock:

(a) Class A preferred, total par \$17,000.00, retireable value \$17,000.00 (Rate of dividends on retireable value is 3%).....	
(c) Common stock, total par \$33,000.00.....	50,000.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits.....	4,517.48
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock).....	5,141.07
Total Capital accounts.....	69,658.55
Total Liabilities and Capital accounts.....	\$516,405.71

MEMORANDA

Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):

(a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities.....	27,900.00
Total	\$ 27,900.00

Secured liabilities:

(a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law..... 26,900.00
Total\$ 26,900.00

State of Penna. County of Centre, ss:

I, DANIEL S. DAUP, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

.(SEAL)

DANIEL S. DAUP, Cashier,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of Jan. 1941.

R. STANLEY BROOKS, Notary Public

My Commission Expires August 2nd. 1942

Correct—Attest

J. L. DECKER,
DANIEL DAUP,
W. W. KERLIN,

Directors.

January 14, 1941 . . . Progress Grange held its annual installation of officers at the regular meeting this evening, besides conferring obligations and degrees on several new members.

V. A. Auman, acting as Master, assisted by Mrs. George McCormick as Marshall, installed these officers: Master, Ray Snaer; Overseer, John Wert, Jr.; Lecturer, Mary Delaney; Steward, John Thomas Delaney; Assistant Steward, Gilbert Ralston; Chaplain, Mrs. George Ralston; Treasurer, John B. Wert, Sr.; Secretary, Mrs. John B. Wert, Jr.; Gatekeeper, Ray Delaney; Ceres, Martha Spyker; Pomona, Louise Ralston; Flora, Nellie Knarr; Lady Assistant Steward, Mrs. Ray Sharer; Executive Committee Member, John Delaney; Finance Committee Member, George Ralston; Fire Insurance Agent, V. A. Auman; Matron of the Juvenile Grange, Mrs. George Sweeney; and assistant, Mrs. M. A. Burkholder.

. . . Eight local men with Pennsylvania Dutch linguistic tendencies attended the ninth annual "Fersomlung" in the Selinsgrove fire house this evening. About 425 men attended this meeting, no word of which was spoken in English. A group of Selinsgrove women served an elaborate roast turkey dinner, and speaking and group singing in the Dutch dialect added hilarity to the occasion.

The principal speakers on the program were: John I. Woodruff, Ph.D., "Formaishter"; Prof. G. Gilbert Snyder from Reading, "Die Wunnernaus fun Baerricks Kounti"; Clyde S. Stine, Ph.D., from Lebanon Valley College, and the Rev. Grant H. Seidel from Shamokin.

These men attended from here: James Foust, F. P. Geary, David I. Graybill, Perry H. Luse, Chas. A. Miller, John E. Rishel, J. F. Wetzel and Roy Jamison.

January 23, 1940 . . . Messages written Saturday indicate that F. V. Goodhart, D. C. Mitterling and Prof. L. O. Packer, enroute

to Arkansas, had arrived at Statesville, North Carolina that morning. They intend to spend Sunday in Chattanooga, Tenn., with Mr. Mitterling's sister, and reach Hot Springs early this week. Prof. Packer intends spending the winter in Arizona, the others will return within several weeks.

March 17, 1941 . . . This evening, W. W. Kerlin and family gave a dinner to the officers, directors and employees of the First National Bank, W. Harrison Walker, of Bellefonte, the bank's attorney, was also a guest.

On this day the President of the bank, Mr. Daniel Daup, celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday and it was in his honor that the group assembled.

Mr. Daup was born in Penn township, March 17, 1856, one of six children born to Joseph and Catherine (Decker) Daup. His father, Joseph, was a native of Wutembeurg, Germany who, in March 1849, arrived in New York from Bremen, after a long and stormy schooner voyage of sixty-five days.

Mr. Daup, the guest of honor, grew to manhood at Sprucetown and at an early age began assisting his father in the blacksmith shop. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-seven, at which time he was united in marriage with Miss Jennie A. Evans. Following his marriage he started housekeeping at Sprucetown and was employed by his father for one year.

He next moved to the Rankin farm which he occupied as a tenant for two years. He then took up his residence on the Dauberman farm in Potter Township where he was a tenant until the spring of 1897, when he returned to the Rankin farm which he purchased in 1895.

In 1906 Mr. Daup purchased the Evangelical parsonage in Centre Hall and a year later he and Mrs. Daup moved into their new home where, for a number of years. Mr. Daup followed the carpenter trade under William Fiedler. For about fourteen years, until his retirement from active work, Mr. Daup was the efficient assistant to F. V. Goodhart in the furniture and undertaking business.

Mr. Daup is a staunch Democrat, having served as a school director for many years while a resident of Potter Township, and on the borough council since becoming a resident of Centre Hall. He is a devout member of the Evangelical church, having served as steward and trustee and likewise as teacher in the Sunday school.

The First National Bank, organized in 1922, at which time Mr. Daup was chosen to serve as its president, which position he has continued to occupy most creditably, to the present time. During these nineteen years Mr. Daup has established the very unusual

record of having failed but once to attend a director's meeting, having on this occasion, been out of town on business.

Mr. Daup's life has been one of integrity and helpfulness to others and although he has attained fourscore years and five, he is physically and mentally alert and definitely modern in his views.

April 3, 1941 . . . The Centre Hall-Potter band will be outfitted in vivid orange and black cadet style gabardine uniforms for its engagements this summer and thereafter. This action was taken at a recent Parent-Teacher Association meeting, following the recommendations of a committee appointed to investigate the uniform situation.

Fifty or more uniforms will be purchased from The Standard Pennant Company of Big Run at a cost of \$16.45 each. To arrange for the time payments through the First National Bank, a number of local citizens have furnished the necessary collateral.

The uniform trousers will be black with an orange stripe, the jacket orange with black braid. An orange plume will decorate the black cadet cap.

April 17, 1941 . . . "Musical Instruments" was the topic of a talk given by Mrs. Paul Fetterolf at a meeting of the Music Section of the Women's Club at the home of Mrs. William P. Campbell.

Mrs. Fetterolf explained and classified all the instruments, with the aid of a chart, and mentioned some interesting origins.

The business of the evening included the election of these officers: President, Mrs. J. Shannon Boozer; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Harry W. Potter; Secretary-Treas., Mrs. George K. Rimmey; Director, Mrs. William P. Campbell; Pianist, Mrs. Delas R. Keener; Program Chairman, Mrs. Thomas Williams.

April 23, 1941 . . . The Garden Section of the Woman's Club sponsored an illustrated lecture on "Gardens" by Dr. J. E. Wilde of the Pennsylvania State College this evening in the high school building.

Dr. Wilde showed and explained slides of the magnificent gardens in and about Philadelphia. Afterward he answered numerous questions of the local flower gardeners.

Mrs. William P. Campbell then sang "Do You Know My Garden?" and "To A Violet" after which refreshments were served by a committee.

May 14, 1941 . . . "Music of American Composers" was the theme of the Centre County Public School Music Festival held in the Centre Hall-Potter high school auditorium this afternoon. All

the high schools of the County including over five hundred participants were included in the program.

May 20, 1941 . . . This evening, at a regular monthly meeting, Ralph S. Hagan was elected a member of the board of Directors of the First National Bank. Mr. Hagan fills the vacancy caused by the death of Robert M. Smith. The board now consists of Mr. Hagan, Daniel Daup, Pres., Frank E. Weiland, Vice-Pres., F. V. Goodhart, E. W. Miller, James L. Decker and W. W. Kerlin.

Cashier, Daniel S. Daup; Assistant cashier, Don E. Miller; Clerk, Mrs. Harold Bradford.

May 28, 1941 . . . "Facing Life" was the theme of the baccalaureate sermon preached in the local Reformed church Sunday evening by Rev. Clarence C. Otto, pastor of the Lutheran church to the Centre Hall-Potter class of 1941.

This evening, the honor students participating in the High School commencement program were Lois Homan who wrote the class poem and presented the motto; Dean Reish, salutatorian; and Betty Runkle, who presented the class flower. Others on the class roll are: Doris Bloom, Agnes Delaney, Rosella Homan, Evelyn Miller, Adaline McClenahan, Gayle Palmer, Martha Rimmey, Alice Slack and Jean Smith.

Robert Gerhart, Mark Jordan, Ernest Lansberry, Dean Neff, James Rimmey, Robert Rimmey, Kenneth Runkle, Paul Smith and Vincent Treaster.

July 4, 1941 . . . Penn-Roosevelt Park has become a new recreation center. The park, formerly CCC Camp 62, opened today with David I. Graybill and Roy S. Jamison in charge, - the two Centre Hall men having leased that recreation area for this swimming season.

Mr. Graybill, a qualified life guard, will be on duty every afternoon. A fee of ten cents will be charged for the use of the bath houses and this will include locker and towel service. Ice cream and soft drinks will be on sale also.

Penn-Roosevelt park is located in the Seven Mountains, six miles south of route 322 at Tusseyville, ten miles from Centre Hall and four miles from the horseshoe curve on route 322. The drinking and lake water are tested at regular intervals by the state and are found to be pure. Three outdoor fireplaces and numerous tables attract picnickers and the large recreation hall will be available to the public for reunions if engaged in advance.

July 8, 1941 . . . At a meeting of the Centre Hall school board this evening, Miss Bertha Sharer was elected teacher of grades 1 and 2 for next year. She formerly taught in the township.

. . . More than eighty members of the Centre Hall Fire Company have purchased uniforms through the local dealer, H. Ray Mark.

The uniforms are of white herringbone material, shirts and trousers striped in gold, overseas caps with the name of the company in gold block lettering. The shirts are equipped with gold shoulder straps and bow ties, belts and shoes will be black.

The recently organized marching unit is in charge of Sidney T. Reigel and Daniel Bloom.

July 12, 1941 . . . Richard Zulick, 20, of Orwigsburg, a student at Franklin and Marshall, was instantly killed shortly after noon today when the automobile in which he was riding struck the east-bound P. R. R. train at the crossing just below Old Fort. The driver of the car, Alvin Kimmell, also of Orwigsburg, was admitted to the Centre County hospital where it was found he had sustained only minor injuries.

July 15, 1941 . . . The Centre Hall Fire Company's second annual Carnival closed last night (Monday). The scheduled days, Thursday through Saturday of last week, were extended into Monday of this week due to heavy rain dampening the ardor of Friday night's festivities.

The Carnival opened Thursday evening with a parade in which the following participated:

The Colors - by F. K. Frank, Spanish-American War Veteran.
Color Guards - Donald McCormick and Donald Goodhart, home on furlough from Camp Shelby, Battery B - 190th Field Artillery, Mississippi.

BANDS: Lemont (1st prize), Siglerville (2nd prize), Port Matilda, Pleasant Gap.

JUNIOR BANDS: Bellefonte High School (1st prize), Bellefonte Junior American Legion (2nd prize), Centre Hall-Potter High School.

MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS, other than bands: State College American Legion and Auxiliary Drum and Bugle Corps (1st prize), "Our Gang", Centre Hall (2nd prize).

MARCHING UNITS: Elk's, Bellefonte (1st prize), Odd Fellows, Centre Hall (2nd prize).

FIRE COMPANIES: Undine, Bellefonte (1st prize); Alpha, State College (2nd prize); Fame, Lewistown; Yeagertown; Milroy; Howard; Port Matilda; Boalsburg; Brooklyn, Lewistown; Logan, Bellefonte; Pleasant Gap; Highland Park, Lewistown; Millheim; Centre Hall.

FLOATS: Kerlin's Poultry Farm (1st prize); Centre Hall Music Club (2nd prize); Women's Auxiliary to Milroy Fire Company (only contestant) (2nd prize); Rebekah Lodge; Miller Motor Co., Chevrolets; Hagan's Garage, Dodge and Plymouth; Vogt Motor Co., Fords; Smith Motor Co., (State College) Chryslers; Cleveland

Eungart, John Deer Farm Machinery; Jack Kirkpatrick, Photo Shop; First National Bank; Geo. H. Stover, Feed, Grain, Coal; Reish's Dairy; Blaine Leister, Whitewashing, Spraying; Weis Store, Fred Luse, Mgr.

The Bellefone Banjo Band, who participated in our parade last year expressed regrets that an engagement in N. Y. State prevented their being with us this year.

"Our Gang", appearing above, consisted of seven youngsters who impersonated the famous "Our Gang" characters to the pleasure and satisfaction of the judges and spectators. The participants were: Bill Sweeney, Dick Runkle, Keith Luse, Donna Luse, Donna Bradford, Teddy White and Yvonne Malone.

The Centre Hall marching unit did not appear in the parade as most of the members were required to be on duty at the Carnival grounds. Their entries were the old 1885 hose cart; the red and gold truck assembled by members of the Company in 1935 and the new white and gold truck, purchased in 1940.

Several of the older members were privileged to ride the new truck in recognition of the services they had rendered in the earlier history of the town.

The Judges, who occupied a highly decorated stand located between the residences of Dr. White and C. W. Boozer, were: Mrs. Roy Jamison, Centre Hall; Ralph Blaney, County Agricultural Agent of Bellefonte and Prof. C. M. Watts of Spring Mills.

It required thirty-five minutes for the marchers to pass the reviewing stand and several thousand persons were stationed along the sidewalks to witness the parade. As last year, there were no cars parked on Pennsylvania Avenue and Church Street, from the grade school commons where the parade formed to the end of Kurtz street at entrance to Grange Park, where the Carnival was held.

A total of \$148 was offered in prize money to participants of the parade and the following ground prizes were awarded:

Thursday, July 10—Bridge Table and Four Chairs - Mrs. Edw. Vogt, Centre Hall.

Friday, July 11—Electric Food Mixer - Mrs. J. S. Boozer, C. Hall.

Saturday, July 12—Electric Urn Set - Ernest Homan, Spring Mills.

Monday, July 14—Stepping Stool - Jos. Struble, C. Hall (R.F.D.).

Stepping Stool - Mary Fortney, Centre Hall (R.F.D.).

High Stool - Martha McClellan, Centre Hall (R.F.D.).

Clock - K. H. Musser, State College

Lamp - Mrs. James Bradford, Centre Hall.

Hassock - Dale McClintick, Centre Hall.

GRAND PRIZES:

\$150.00 114-piece Silver Set - Geo. W. Brown, R1, Milroy, Pa.
50.00 "Navigator" Radio - Don Snyder, Rebersburg, Pa.

The gross receipts were slightly over \$2,600.00 which will show a net profit of more than \$1,200.00 to be applied against the indebtedness on the new truck and equipment.

The Carnival committee chairmen were these:

General Chairmen: Paul Fetterolf, John B. Wert, Sr.; Advertising: C. William Boozer; Lights: J. Harold Durst; Tickets: W. W. Kerlin; Parade: Fred Luse; Parking: Blaine Leister; Bingo: George Lutz; Soft Drinks: R. Stanley Brooks; Sandwich Stand: Paul Zellers; Wheels, etc: George Sweeney; Ice Cream, Cakes: William B. Hanna.

The officers of the Centre Hall Fire Company have asked this writer to express here their gratitude and sincere thanks to all who so generously assisted in making this carnival a complete success. This expression is directed not alone to the many of our members who worked unceasingly but particularly to the residents of this and surrounding communities who gave their support in numerous ways; to the Grange for the use of their beautiful park; and to all who took part in the most colorful parade Centre Hall has ever been privileged to stage.

July 24, 1941 . . . At caucuses held last week the Republican and Democratic parties selected candidates for nomination in the primary election to be held in September. The Democratic ticket includes: John Whiteman, Judge of Election; Mrs. D. M. Bradford, Inspector; J. William Bradford, School Director; George Stover, J. Foust, E. Clayton Wagner, Councilmen; Ernest Wagner, Auditor; G. A. Matter, Constable; Harry W. Potter, Tax Collector.

The Republicans have chosen these: George Vogt, Judge of Election; Mrs. Paul Martz, Inspector; James Searson, School Director; Bruce Knarr, George Rimmey, Carl Burkholder, Councilmen; W. D. Shoop, Tax Collector; Roy Dutrow, Burgess.

July 26, 1941 . . . This afternoon some fifty members of the Centre Hall Fire Company, - bedecked in their white and gold uniforms, accepted an invitation to participate in the gigantic parade scheduled for 7:30 p. m., Daylight Saving Time, at St. Marys. The journey was made in various members' cars, the new truck was driven by R. Stanley Brooks and the Centre Hall-Potter High School Band was transported in a large school bus, furnished and driven by H. G. Ard of Woodward.

There were one hundred fifteen (115) units entered in the parade which required the 2,680 marchers one and one-half hours to

pass the reviewing stand. Over \$800.00 in prizes were offered. The competition was extremely keen, bands, marching units and fire fighting apparatus from towns of 7,000 to over 10,000 were in line.

Our fifty-piece High School Band, under the leadership of Prof. Donald R. Shope, was declared, by the judges, the BEST APPEARING BAND and was awarded the \$25.00 Prize.

A conservative estimate set the figure at 20,000 visitors. Other prizes to come to Centre County were \$35 to Best Junior Band, Bellefonte Jr. Legion; Best equipped Fire Apparatus (pumpers only) Undine of Bellefonte, \$40.00.

August 2, 1941 . . . Close to sixty members of the Centre Hall Fire Co., with the new fire truck, led by the Centre Hall-Potter H. S. Band, captured first prize this evening in the Firemen's Parade at Milroy. The parade was held in connection with the Milroy Firemen's Carnival and was well supported by communities from Lewistown to Bellefonte. The Undine Fire Co. of Bellefonte was awarded second prize.

At this time a brief outline of the organization and progress of the Centre Hall-Potter High School Band is in order. Needless to say, the citizens of the town and township are justly proud of the band and appreciate the untiring efforts put forth by the instructors and members.

ORGANIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CENTRE HALL-POTTER HIGH SCHOOL BAND

In September 1937 Mr. David I. Graybill (Science teacher) was asked to organize a band as he had had some experience in band work. As there were no band instruments available it was not until January 1938 that the students began to take lessons on instruments that they had purchased.

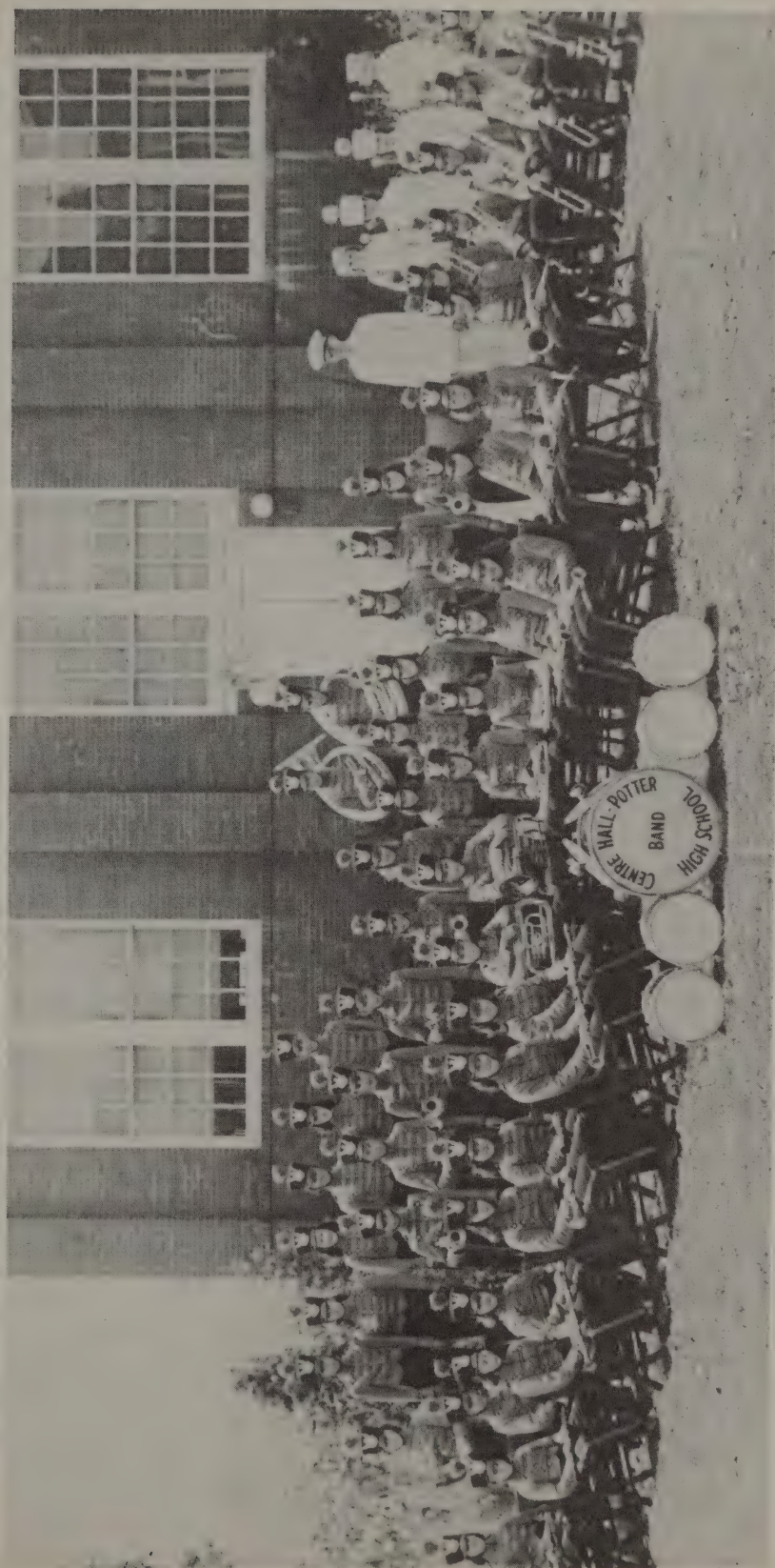
The Odd Fellows donated a bass and snare drum and the PTA purchased a bass horn. By January 1939 there were 19 students in the band.

On Christmas 1938 patrons and interested townsfolk made up a purse of \$50.00 as a Christmas Present to Mr. Graybill.

Band Rehearsals were held after school at the home of Mr. Graybill.

In September 1939 Mr. Donald R. Shope was elected as supervisor of music in the Centre Hall-Potter school district. At this time the band was turned over to him as he was interested in instrumental work and Mr. Graybill was willing to release the band to him.

During the school year of 39-40 the band continued to rehearse after school and fourteen new students started on instru-



mental work. During the school year the band played for several PTA meetings and also several soccer and basketball games. Early in the spring of 1940 the band had its first experience in marching. This was continued through-out the early spring and summer.

The school board agreed to employ Mr. Shope through-out the summer months so that more progress could be made with the band. During the summer the band played for several festivals and took part in several parades. They succeeded in winning second prize in parades at Howard, Pa. and Pleasant Gap, Pa. and by the end of the summer they had earned better than \$200. This money was used to purchase a Sousaphone which was needed in the band. At this time there were 40 members.

The same program was carried out in the 40-41 school year as in the previous year and in April 1941 through the aid of the PTA and interested business men of the community the band was able to purchase 52 new uniforms at the cost of \$916.00.

During the summer of '41 the band continued to play for festivals and take part in community affairs. On July 26, 1941 the band accompanied the Centre Hall Fire Company to St. Mary's and feel proud of the fact that they were awarded 1st prize as the best appearing band in the parade.

At this writing (August 5, 1941) the band has reduced their debt of \$916.00 to less than \$400.00 and has scheduled seven more engagements for the current month.

August 8, 1941 . . . Fifty-eight members of the Centre Hall Fire Company, with the new truck and recently acquired twelve-foot banner, were awarded first prize in the Firemen's Parade at Howard this evening. The marching unit was headed, in the parade, by the Centre Hall-Potter H. S. Band.

August 14, 1941 . . . The following information has just been released and will be of interest:

Both the Republican and Democratic parties suffered considerable losses in Centre County, during the past year, through deaths, removal from the County, and purgings provided by law when registrants fail to vote at least once every two years. Democratic losses amounted to 905, while Republicans lost 707.

The present tabulations show, in the County, 13,268 Republicans (7,178 men and 6,090 women) - 10,292 Democrats (5,875 men and 4,417 women).

In the borough of Centre Hall we have 419 registered voters, 250 Democrats and 169 Republicans and in Potter township we find 337 Democrats and 247 Republicans, making a total registration in the township of 584.

August 21, 1941 . . . Yes sir, - "we went and did it again!" This afternoon, before a crowd of 10,000, the Centre Hall Fire Company won the coveted \$75 First prize, with fifty-six uniformed members in line. The occasion was the 49th annual Central District Firemen's Association Convention, held this week in Bellefonte.

The district comprises a 12-county area, in central Pennsylvania, and "our boys" were in keen competition with these units: Lock Haven Fire Dept.; Alpha of State College; Brooklyn, Henderson, Fame of Lewistown; Burnham; Reliance and Hope of Philipsburg; Clymer; Osceola Mills; Clearfield; Curwensville; Houtzdale; Milesburg; Sykesville; Kane; Blazing Arrow and Citizens of Tyrone; Volunteer and Goodwill of DuBois; Renovo; Winburne; Spangler; Avis; Smethport; Pleasant Gap; Howard; Nanty Glo.

The Centre Hall-Potter High School Band led the local Marching Unit which was followed by the new equipment.

Sixteen bands and 10 Drum and Bugle Corps supplied the music for the colorful 10-division parade which required nearly one and a half hour to pass the judges stand atop the marquee of the Penn Belle Hotel. Bellefonte Bands and Fire Companies participated in the parade but, in accordance with a time-honored custom, did not compete for prizes.

August 29, 1941 . . . It's getting to be a habit! The Centre Hall Fire Company was awarded first prize at the Milesburg Carnival Parade this evening, with the Centre Hall-Potter H. S. Band leading and the equipment following the Marching Unit. Eighty-one members were in line, in uniform.

Scheduled to parade at Mechanicsburg and DuBois, the local unit has decided to cancel these engagements account of the constantly increasing number of infantile paralysis cases throughout the state.

October 9, 1941 . . . George K. Rimmey has recently taken over the operation of the service station until lately operated by R. Stanley Brooks. Mr. Rimmey owns the service station and garage. Mr. Brooks is now employed by the Automotive Supply Company, State College, of which J. Shannon Boozer is manager.

October 23, 1941 . . . A metal-work school was established recently under the supervision of the Centre Hall-Potter high school. The project is sponsored by the federal government and is conducted in the Vernon Garbrick welding shop with Mr. Garbrick as one of the instructors.

Twenty-one men have enrolled to date. Classes are conducted five evenings a week from 6 to 10 p. m., for ten weeks. The students may learn electric and acetylene welding and machine work. Names of enrollees follow:

Oscar Bierly, Phillip Brooks, Paul Brooks, George Decker, John Delaney, Ray Delaney Archie Detwiler, David Graybill, George Heckman, Robert Homan, Ernie Lansberry, Ray Mark, William McClenahan, James Meeker, Russell Moyer, Clarence Phillips, Donald Phillips, Russell Reish, Paul Smith, Robert Walker and Bob Wetzell.

November 6, 1941 . . . The council of St. Luke's Lutheran church, at a meeting Monday of this week (Nov. 3rd) authorized J. Harold Durst to place an order for a new system of lighting for the church.

The lights will be modern fluorescent type and will be placed throughout the church, including Sunday school rooms and vestibules. Mr. Durst will be in charge of the re-wiring and installation.

. . . At Tuesday's election (Nov. 7th) the following candidates were elected to the borough offices as indicated:

Tax Collector: W. H. Potter; School Director: J. William Bradford; Councilmen: George H. Stover, James M. Foust, E. Clayton Wagner; Constable: Garman A. Matter; Judge of Election: John Whiteman; Inspector of Election: Mrs. Blanche Bradford; Auditor: J. Ernest Wagner; Burgess: Ernest Frank and Roy Dutrow tie vote (Note: Mr. Frank was later declared elected as a result of drawing lots in the offices of the County Commissioners). Justice of the peace: R. Stanley Brooks.

We are pleased to note here that Fred Bender, a former good citizen of Centre Hall, was elected Tax Collector in the borough of State College . . . Congratulations!

GEORGE L. "CHICK" GOODHART

November 13, 1941 . . . Tonight, a few minutes past eight o'clock, the body of George L. Goodhart was dragged from the icy waters of Poe Paddy Dam, and the hearts of all who knew him are sad. "Chick", as he was known by his host of friends, will ever be remembered for his cheery disposition, his ability as a hunter and fisherman and the part he frequently played, as Centre Hall's star third-baseman, and heavy hitting in the pinches.

"Chick" was a member of the Centre Hall Fire Company and we dedicate this space to his memory.

Here we reproduce with slight additions, the account of the young man's untimely death, as it appeared in the November 20, 1941 issue of "The Centre Democrat":

George "Chick" Goodhart, 35-year old Centre Hall R. F. D. farmer, loaded his shotgun and some shells into his sedan about 8:15 o'clock Wednesday morning, Nov. 12, and drove away from his home in quest of ducks.

Thirty-six hours later his lifeless body was dragged from Poe Paddy Dam, state reservation between Coburn and Milroy, by firemen who for thirty hours had been grappling in the 30-acre dam for his body.

Firemen from Centre Hall, Bellefonte, State College and Lewistown who engaged in the search for the body, commented upon the ease with which Goodhart's activities during his last hour were traced.

Although no one, apparently, knows first-hand what happened from the time the unfortunate man departed from his home for his solitary hunting trip, he left in his trail an almost phenomenal record of his activities.

The man's family first became alarmed when it grew dark Wednesday evening and he failed to return home. He had expected to be home for the noon meal, but his absence during the afternoon caused no undue alarm.

Wednesday night when he failed to appear, searching parties were formed and for several hours all mountain roads west of the highway leading from Centre Hall to Milroy (the territory believed to be the most likely chosen by Goodhart for hunting) were thoroughly and carefully searched.

Later in the evening the Centre Hall Fire Company sounded a general alarm and shortly some forty more firemen were on their way, with high-powered search lights, and neighboring Fire Companies responded promptly to request for aid.

Shortly before eleven o'clock the party consisting of Albert L. Emery, Myron Reitz and Donald Goodhart, brothers-in-law and brother of the missing man, with Lee Rhoades and Howard Reed directed their search in the vicinity of the Poe Valley Dam where Goodhart's sedan was found at 11 o'clock, parked on the left side of the road south of the dam. The door was open and the key was in the ignition switch, as though the driver had left the car in a hurry. An immediate search about the dam resulted in finding Goodhart's shotgun, lying close to the water's edge.

Early Thursday morning the young man's hunting cap, a turkey call, and cigarettes were found floating on top of the water. Down at the breast of the dam were found two ducks, shot through the underside of the breasts.

Several recently fired shotgun shells, of same type as found in Goodhart's gun, were found on the west pier and on the shore. Out against the east pier which extends nearly one hundred feet into the water, a small raft was found which bore evidence of having been recently used.

From these evidences, firemen pieced out the following story. Goodhart, arriving near the dam, saw several ducks about the water, and fearing they would leave, hurriedly halted his car, grabbed his gun and ran to the water's edge.

There he shot at and hit two ducks in flight, and the birds dropped into the water. Placing his gun on the beach, Goodhart got aboard a small raft and paddled out to recover the birds. Then, probably as he reached to pick up the ducks, the raft tilted and he fell overboard.

Being unable to swim, and wearing heavy hunting clothes, Goodhart had little chance to save himself.

The body was found in about ten feet of water, and when it was discovered that Goodhart's wrist watch had stopped at 9:10 o'clock, it was established that he had met death in slightly less than an hour after he left home.

Two power boats from Penns Cave and several small boats from Roosevelt State Park were taken to Poe Paddy Dam for use in the search. Grappling hooks and pike poles were used by firemen in the boats in searching for the body, and during the day the water in the dam was lowered about two feet to facilitate the work of the searchers. In some places the dam is 30 feet deep.

Grappling hooks in the hands of Alpha firemen snagged into Goodhart's clothing shortly after 8:00 o'clock Thursday night.

Centre County Coroner Charles Sheckler, of Milesburg, was called to the scene where he heard the statements of firemen and other searchers.

The body was then placed in the Undine emergency truck and was taken to the F. V. Goodhart Funeral Home in Centre Hall, where an examination revealed that death had resulted from drowning and that there were no marks or other evidences to the contrary. Coroner Sheckler ruled an inquest unnecessary, and certified that death had resulted from accidental drowning. Pvt. Paul T. Ruda, of the Rockview sub-station State Motor Police who participated in the search and who was present when the body was found concurred in the Coroner's findings..

Poe Paddy Dam, completed a few years ago by CCC workers, is located 16 miles southeast of Centre Hall in the wilds of the Seven Mountains. Several routes, all of them over CCC mountain roads, lead to the dam, which is a popular recreation center.

Goodhart's death in the waters of the dam is the second fatality to occur there. Henry Raab, 17, colored CCC member lost his life July 27 when he fell from a diving raft. Raab, a member of a Maryland CCC camp, was visiting the Poe Valley Camp at the time.

George Lee Goodhart, an expert hunter, was born December 14, 1905, on the Goodhart homestead farm at Centre Hall in which he and his family have been living. He was a son of James C. and Sarah Lee Goodhart. Surviving are his parents, who also live on the homestead premises; his wife, the former Grace Jodon; a daughter, Adaline, aged 14, and these brothers and sisters: Russell Goodhart, Bellefonte; Donald, of Centre Hall, now with the United States Army at Camp Shelby, Miss.; Robert, at home; Mrs. Ernest Auman, of Newark, N. J., and Miss Gwendolyn Goodhart at home.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Goodhart Funeral Home, Centre Hall, with the Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick officiating. Interment was made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

The family of the deceased expressed their sincere appreciation by letter, to the members of the Fire Companies which, in addition to Centre Hall, consisted of Alpha of State College; Undine of Bellefonte; Henderson and Brooklyn of Lewistown, and to all others who, day and night for hours, engaged in the efforts to recover the body.

The Centre Hall Fire Company likewise addressed letters of appreciation to their brother firemen from neighboring communities to the officials of CCC Camp No. 63 who so generously supplied food and coffee, in addition to that furnished by the Centre Hall Fire Co., and it is the wish of the officers and members of the Centre Hall Fire Company that our appreciation and gratitude be expressed here to all, members of Fire Companies and others.

November 13, 1941 . . . Evening of Music Is Held at Centre Hall. Trinity Evangelical and Reformed church was the scene this evening of the second annual "Evening of Music" program sponsored by the music section of the local Woman's Club.

Guests on the program were Misses Dorothy Robison and Eleanor Maloney, of Irvona, and Miss Janette Burns, of State College.

Mrs. William P. Campbell directed the chorus and Mrs. Delas R. Keener accompanied the group, either on the piano or the organ.

The complete program follows: "March from Athalie", Mendelssohn, "Indian Summer", Herbert, Mrs. Keener; "Procession of Aurora", Grieg, chorus; "Csardas", Monti, "American Patrol March", Meacham, "Dark Eyes", Russian folk song, Miss Robison, playing the xylo-rimba; "Into the Night", Edwards; "I Am An American", Cunningham, Mrs. Campbell; "Qui Vive", piano duet, Ganz, Miss Robison and Miss Maloney; "The Creation: A Negro Sermon", Johnson, "Rest Cure", Collinze, Miss Burns; "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice", Saint-Saens, "The Olden Songs", Viennese Melody, chorus; "Waltz in E Flat", Durand. "On the Mall", Goldman, Miss Robison playing the accordion; "Pecause", d'Hardelot, Mrs. Campbell; Offertory-Intermezzo, Provost, Mrs. Keener; "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains", Harker, Mrs. Campbell; "Now the Day is Over", Barnby, ensemble.

After the program, the music club entertained the guest artists at a reception at the home of Mrs. J. Shannon Boozer, the president. Chorus: Mrs. William Bradford, Mrs. Shannon Boozer, Mrs. William Campbell, Mrs. Frank Goodhart, Mrs. David Graybill, Mrs. Roy Jamison, Mrs. William Kerlin, Mrs. Dora Odenkirk, Mrs. Harry Potter, Mrs. Reuben Rickert, Mrs. George Rimmey, Mrs. John Wert, Jr., Mrs. Jacob Wetzell.

Not so many years past "moving time" in Centre Hall was April 1st . . . Either you moved on "April Fool's Day", or you'd "stay put" for another twelve months.

Not so today. In recent months folks have been coming and going so frequently that the tax assessor complains of difficulty in keeping his records up-to-date. Here's proof:

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bailey disposed of their home (the former Rebecca Murray property) and have moved to Lewistown where they have purchased a home. Edw. Brown bought the Bailey property and it is now occupied by Mr. Latham Gray and family.

George Sweeney and family recently moved from their property on Hoffer Street to their recently acquired home (formerly the H. L. Ebright property) on South Penna. Avenue. Bright Orwig and family now live where the Sweeneys vacated.

The C. H. "Hank" Kimbrell family who had been living in the home now occupied by the Sweeney family is now to be found at home in the D. C. Mitterling property, formerly the Fred Bender property, which was vacated by Mr. and Mrs. George Lutz whom we now find comfortably located in their own home, purchased recently from Roy Dutrow. Mr. Dutrow and family are located with Mrs. Dutrow's mother, Mrs. A. H. Spayd.

Paul Fetterolf and family now live at Indiantown Gap, where Mr. Fetterolf is connected with the Post Office. They moved from the Luse apartment, North Penna. Avenue. The apartment is vacant at this time.

The Bartholomew apartments, recently purchased from Daniel Bloom, have been extensively remodeled and are now occupied by Lieut. and Mrs. Webster Calvin and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Jodon who came to town from Coleville. Lieut. Calvin is officer in charge of CCC Camp No. 63, Poe Valley.

Mrs. Florence Michael and family moved from the Bartholomew apts. to the William Colver property as did also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bloom. Wilbur Stover and family from the Colyer house to the Ripka property, vacated by the Rupert Quick family, who moved to Bellefonte.

Ben Goodhart and family from the First National Bank apartment to Johnstown and Philip McClenahan and family into the bank apts. Kenneth Runkle and family from the Gardner Grove apartments to Pleasant Gap.

Paul Martz and family from the James I. Fetterolf apartments (formerly the Flora O. Bairfoot home) into a portion of the W. A. Alexander house, formerly owned by Mrs. Annie Homan. Russell Walker and family from the Odenkirk apartments to State College. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fye, after selling their home to Chas. W. Slack, moved to State College. John Slack and family now occupy the home on Church St., vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Slack.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Breon now occupy the Odenkirk apartment, having vacated the Rowe cabin in which Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bierly now reside. Mrs. Fayette Miller has moved from State College into one of the Luse apartments on South Penna. Avenue. James Bradford and family now reside in the Mrs. Herbert Garis property, which was purchased from D. G. Wagner. Orvis Smeltzer vacated the Laughner property, south of the Presbyterian church, and now reside in Pleasant Gap.

Mr. F. G. Love has moved from eastern Pennsylvania into part of the Miss Jane Freeman house. Kenneth Brooks and family have moved from Niagara Falls into the Bartges property which was recently vacated by Miss Mary Kling who has estab-

lished her beauty parlor in a portion of the Jas. I. Fetterolf building. John Sweitzer and family are now living in a portion of the Benj. Emerick house.

Mrs. Talitha Delaney, who recently purchased the Mrs. Elizabeth Mitterling property, has moved into her new home; Paul Bradford and family occupy a portion of Mrs. Delaney's home, moving from the Edw. Brown property (formerly occupied by Dr. H. Morrow and family) LeRoy Krebs and family moved from the Mrs. Delaney property into the house vacated by Bradfords. Orvis Weaver and family from their home on Church St. to their new bungalow on North Penna. Avenue.

Harold Hazel and family have moved from Pleasant Gap into one of the Runkle Hotel apartments, vacated by Robert Breon and family, who now live in the Lynn Ross home, north of the Diamond.

The John Dashem property, sold at public sale Saturday, Nov 22nd, was purchased by John M. Coldron.

William B. Hanna and family moved into the residence on the Kerlin Poultry Farm, vacating their apartments in the John Heckman property, recently purchased from James C. Goodhart.

Wilbur C. Stover, latter part of November, 1941, purchased the Orvis Weaver property on West Church street.

While attending the public sale of the late John Dashem property, Ruth Elizabeth Ilgen, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ilgen of Spring Mills, R. F. D. was painfully injured when she was struck by a car operated by Mrs. David Arndt of Lock Haven.

The little girl is a patient in the Centre County Hospital, Bellefonte, having suffered a double fracture of the collar bone, lacerations about the face, arms and head. The child's mother witnessed the accident and reported that her daughter was thrown up on the hood and then in front of the car. The child was taken to the Hospital by Harold "Jack" Bradford of Centre Hall.

December 1, 1941 . . . With practically the entire world, with exception of the Americas, involved in war, the United States is following a defense program on the theory of being adequately prepared.

All communities are being organized. In Centre Hall the following committees have been appointed:

Committee for American Unity - under Centre County Council of Defense - Frank V. Goodhart, Chairman; Daniel S. Daup; Edgar W. Miller; William W. Kerlin.

Disaster Preparedness and Relief (American National Red Cross)
Under State College Chapter, Dr. R. D. Anthony, chairman. Disaster Relief Committee: William W. Kerlin, Chairman; Rev. Delas R. Keener; Ralph S. Hagan.

America Is Again At War!

Monday, December 8, 1941 . . . Yesterday, without warning, and with tremendous force, Japan bombarded our forces at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Today the United States is officially at war with Japan.

We have endeavored to continue items of interest up to the very last day the last pages of this book "went to press". That day has arrived! The remaining pages are more-or-less arranged under separate captions. It is the sincere hope of this writer that you have found interest in the preceeding pages and that you will enjoy the pages that follow.

**THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED IN LOVING MEMORY
TO MRS. LUCY HENNEY**



Photo by W. W. Kerlin

During the preparation of this book, which required many months of labor and research, death called Centre Hall's most distinguished business woman.

Mrs. Henney (nee Lucy Deininger) passed away Friday morning, March 21, 1941, following a three months' illness.

Born in Millheim, March 30, 1854, Mrs. Henney started a millinery store in Centre Hall when nineteen years of age and continuously conducted this business until the beginning of her last illness. Sixty-eight continuous years of service to the community; a most remarkable record, indeed!

The above photograph was taken, especially for this book, in September, 1940. Here we see Mrs. Henney, at the age of almost eighty-seven, with the familiar smile that has greeted many thousands of her patrons through the years.

FALL OPENING OF BONNETS, TRIMMINGS, MILLINERY AT

MISS LUCY DEININGER'S in Centre Hall

Who has just returned from Philadelphia, with the LATEST FASHIONS, and a complete stock of new Bonnets, new Hats, elegant Trimmings, etc., which will be sold or made up at reasonable prices. Also Old Ladies' Dress Caps.

The new styles are very pretty, Ladies, call and see them early.
First come, first served.

(Above we reproduce Mrs. Henney's first advertisement as it appeared in the Oct. 30, 1873 issue of "The Centre Reporter".)

Below we call your attention to Mrs. Henney's last adv., given expressly for this book, in support of the Centre Hall Fire Company, of which she was a member:

(1873) MRS. LUCY HENNEY (1941)

A Choice Selection of Seasonable Hats of Style and Quality

Hats Trimmed, Dresses Made to Order

Many of my Patrons now represent the Fifth Generation of their Family
whom it has been my pleasure to serve.

Church Street

CENTRE HALL, PA.

(Note: This business is being very successfully conducted, since the death of Mrs. Henney, by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Grace Henney.)

CENTRE HALL FIRE COMPANY—ON PARADE!

On this and the following pages, we present our Company as it appeared August 21, 1941, while on parade at the 49th Annual Central District Firemen's Association Convention parade at Bellefonte.



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CENTRE HALL'S MAJOR FIRES

The Centre Hall Fire Company is organized to protect the citizens in this locality, to the utmost of their ability, against the hazards of fire.

Many fires are unavoidable . . . Others the result of carelessness or neglect. Prompt replacement or repair of faulty electrical appliances, broken switches - frequent inspection of chimneys, stove pipes, etc., etc. — these are but a few of the many sources of destructive fires — and they should always be kept in a safe condition.

. . . The following notice has appeared from time to time in the pages of The Centre Reporter . . . We reproduce it here with the recommendation, since the "Reporter" is no longer a weekly visitor in our homes, that every one of our citizens memorize these lines: "If you want to be a good law-abiding citizen, don't burn leaves or rubbish of any nature on the streets. Fires on the street are prohibited by a borough ordinance and likewise by State laws." "Any fires suffered by a citizen or citizens, as a result of above practice, is recoverable, by law, from the individual responsible."

Whenever there is a fire, someone loses!

Centre Hall, to date, can be considered to have been rather fortunate so far as extremely disastrous fires are concerned. The first fire of record was in 1875 . . . Since that date, so far as the writer can learn, we have had a total of two dozen, what might be termed, major fires. All of these are reported, under special heading, in this book.

Yet, we say, Centre Hall has been fortunate . . . On several occasions, had there been a strong wind, or had not a heavy rain come to the rescue, there would undoubtedly be a different story to relate.

No one fire in Centre Hall has reached the proportions of fires occurring in our neighboring towns, - Bellefonte, State College, Spring Mills, Millheim, Rebersburg - yet this record, which we have maintained for more than sixty years, is no assurance for the future. Shall we say these communities have been less fortunate than we? Perhaps Centre Hall has been more fortunate than the average!

Two sad deaths have occurred in Centre Hall by fire. December 31, 1903, Mrs. John Dauberman, mother of the late John G. Dauberman, died from burns resulting from her clothing becoming ignited while in her home, opposite the Presbyterian church. Her cries for help were answered by her grandson, John H. Knarr, and every effort was made to extinguish the flames, but death relieved the sufferings of the aged lady within a few hours.

Saturday evening, January 17, 1914, Miss Sabina Bruss, more than seventy years of age, burned to death in her room in the McClenahan home where she had lived for several years. It is evident that an oil lamp had been thrown from the bureau. While a spark of life remained, when discovered by Miss Sarah McClenahan, the lady's niece, the body was badly burned about the head, shoulder and side. Death came within a few minutes after discovery of the accident.

There is always, in the fall of each year, a week designated as "Fire Prevention Week". This is a national movement. An article, written in 1928, makes the statement that the nation's loss in 1926 by fire totaled \$26,900,000, representing 91,000 fires of which 72% were classed as being preventable.

In presenting, on the following pages, a brief review of the losses sustained in the borough as a result of fire we are obliged, to a certain degree, to confine our thoughts to the major conflagrations.

In reviewing the pages of the Centre Reporter files it is with a feeling of regret that space does not permit at least brief mention of many hundreds of fires, thousands of buildings of one sort or another, that fell prey to the flames.

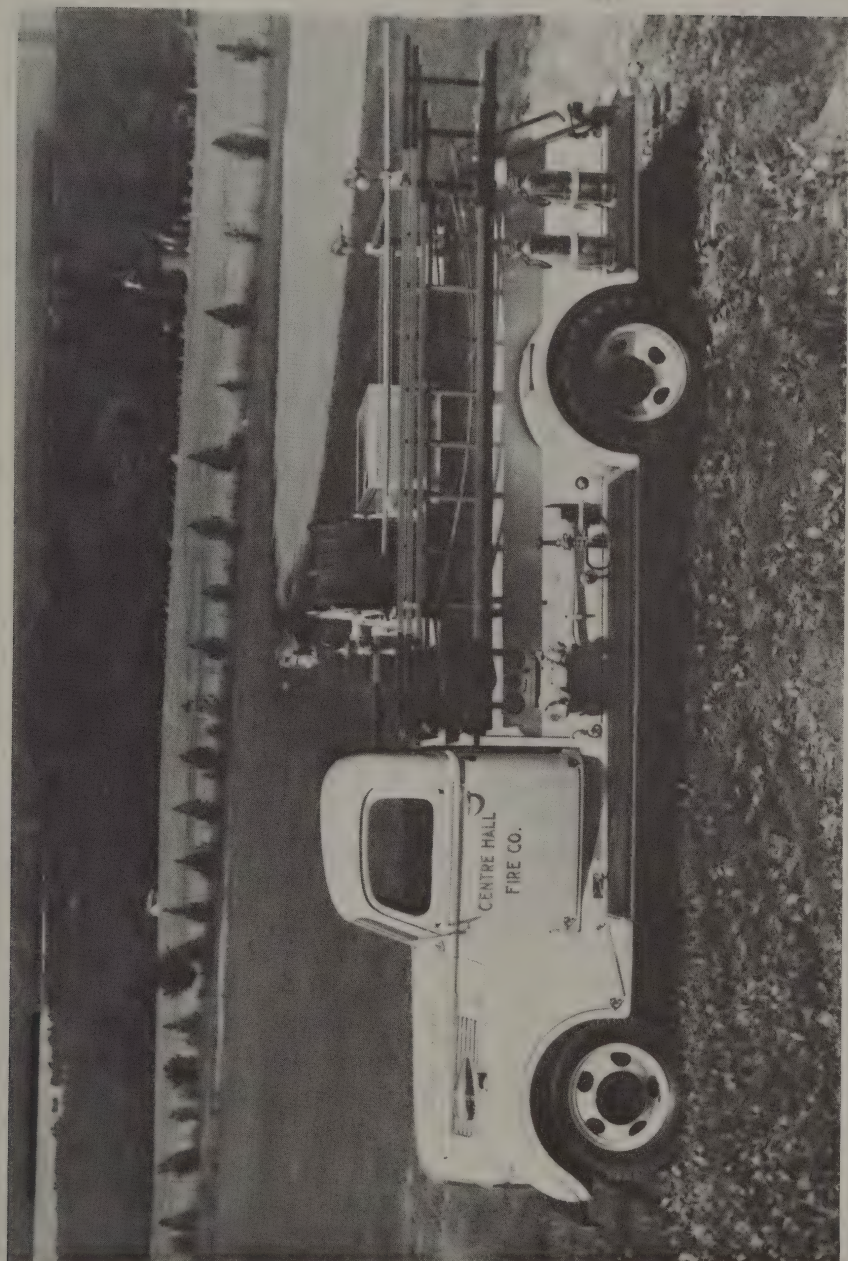
Hundreds upon hundreds of farm dwellings, barns and smaller buildings have been lost throughout Penns Valley and Brush Valley during the past seventy years . . . With this thought ever in mind and with a desire to be in position to render more adequate service to the citizens of Potter Township, we are improving and modernizing our fire-fighting equipment.

The first fire loss, of which we have record, occurred July 23, 1875. - ten years before Centre Hall became a borough. A record of this, and subsequent major fires in the town, follow:

1875—The stable of C. F. Herlacher was destroyed by fire, Friday night, July 23, 1875, between the hours of ten and eleven. All the contents of the stable, about three tons of hay, feed, farming implements, sleigh, harness, gears and other articles were burned. One top buggy and spring wagon with top were brought out but the tops had been burned off. His best horse was fearfully burned about the head, back and sides; the ears of the poor brute were burned off. The horse managed to crash thru the side of the burning stable after the halter strap had burned off, thus releasing him. The pig pen adjoining was also burned but the pigs were saved.

It was only by the greatest exertions of the citizens that Mr. Harlach's house and the stable on the adjoining lot, owned by Mr. Arney and in possession of Wm. B. Mingle, were saved. The loss is close to \$1,000.00.

1884—On Monday morning, October 13, 1884, about 1:30 the large stable in the rear of Wolf's shops, on Church street was dis-



Here's our latest modern equipment. Built by Darley of Chicago. Carries 300 gals. water in the "booster" tank. Pumper throws 500 gals. water per minute. Purchased in the fall of 1940.

Photo by W. W. Kerlin

covered on fire, and before help could be on the ground to check the fire, the building was in full blaze. The stable was occupied by Mr. Sandoe, who had two good cows, five hogs, six pigs, a calf, buggy and about eight tons of hay burned, also a good spring wagon belonging to Mr. Wolf. In spite of all efforts the fire set Neff's stable ablaze on the opposite side of the alley. The southern cornice of the Lutheran Church had caught and at one time it seemed that the fire would be put out, but having caught under the projecting wooden cornice where it was impossible for the men on the roof to throw water, the flames soon spread to the interior of the church, and the large, fine edifice was wrapped in flames in a few minutes. Most of the church fixtures were saved. As the flames reached the large steeple and crept from base to pinnacle, the sight was awfully grand, - the spire standing wrapped in red, lashing flames over its entire length, throwing a splendid glare over the entire neighborhood, until only the charred skeleton of the burning steeple remained and fell by the giving away of the burning base underneath.

The citizens bestowed all their power upon keeping the bank building, shops and other houses near the church wet with water from the bucket brigade of men and women. Large burning embers went like snow flakes over the town. Fortunately there was a perfect calm and the house tops were damp from the shower of Sunday afternoon, these with the untiring exertions of our citizens saved the fire from setting the buildings along side of the church ablaze. Had any of the houses on Main street taken fire our people would have been powerless, and at least half of the town would have been destroyed. By pouring a continuous stream of water on the shops across the alley from the burning church, the fire was kept from that quarter, otherwise that entire square on Church street would have been burned.

There is an actual insurance of \$3660 on the church. Mr. Wm. Wolf has \$200 insurance on his stable. The stable of Mrs. Neff was insured for \$350. Mr. Sandoe's loss is about \$200 and no insurance. The actual loss must be near \$9000.

1885—Centre Hall again had a fire. The large stable of D. C. Keller, at the lower end of town, was burned on Sunday night, October 18, 1885, about one o'clock. When discovered it was all ablaze inside. Two horses, three cows, a calf, a lot of implements, tread-power and thresher, with all hay and other feed, were burned. Dr. Alexander and Mr. Boozer, living close by, were on the ground soon enough to let out the hogs and pull out the carriage and buggies. Nothing else was saved. The stable was large and new, about 60x40. The stable of Miss Emily Alexander, across the alley, had taken fire along the upper edge of the roof, when the stable was at once climbed by Ike Harpster, Wm. Kurtz and Miller, who remained there, pouring water over the roof and down the sides, as it was passed up through the stable from the

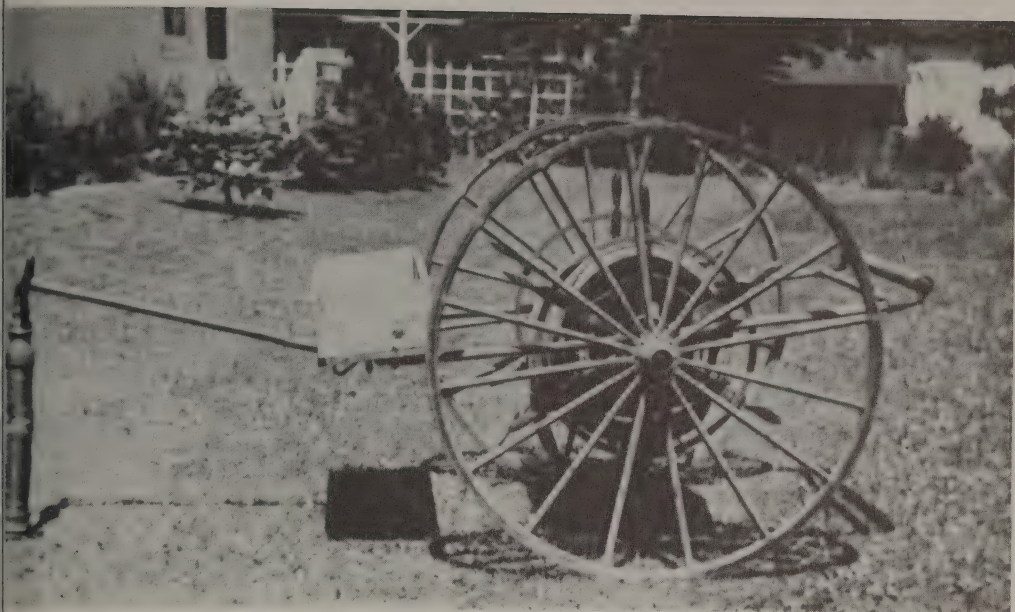


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The town's very first piece of fire-fighting equipment (purchased about 1900). Hand-drawn to the scene of fire unless a wagon or buggy happened to be traveling in the general direction of the fire, then a quick hook-up to the rear of the vehicle and old "Dobbin" was pressed into service.

inside, and the fire thus prevented from spreading, aided by parties below with hand pumps. How the fire originated we cannot say. Rev. Heckman, who returned from services near midnight, says in passing Keller's alley he observed someone in the alley. Mr. and Mrs. Keller were absent at a funeral in Snyder county; likely someone was there to steal, knowing the owner was away, and possibly was smoking or lit a match to see his way in the stable, and thus caused the fearful results. Mr. Keller's loss is no less than \$2000, which is slightly covered by insurance, we think, in some outside company. Our citizens were promptly on the ground and with untiring exertions kept the fire from spreading.

In addition to the above there was also one fat hog burned. The two horses are valued at \$300.

1886—About 12 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, February 10, 1886, the coach shop occupied by John T. Lee, on East Church street was discovered to be on fire. Aaron Thomas, who lives near by, was the first to notice the flames and hurrying to the scene, dashed a pail of water on the parts ablaze and almost extinguished the fire. Upon his return with an additional supply of water, however,

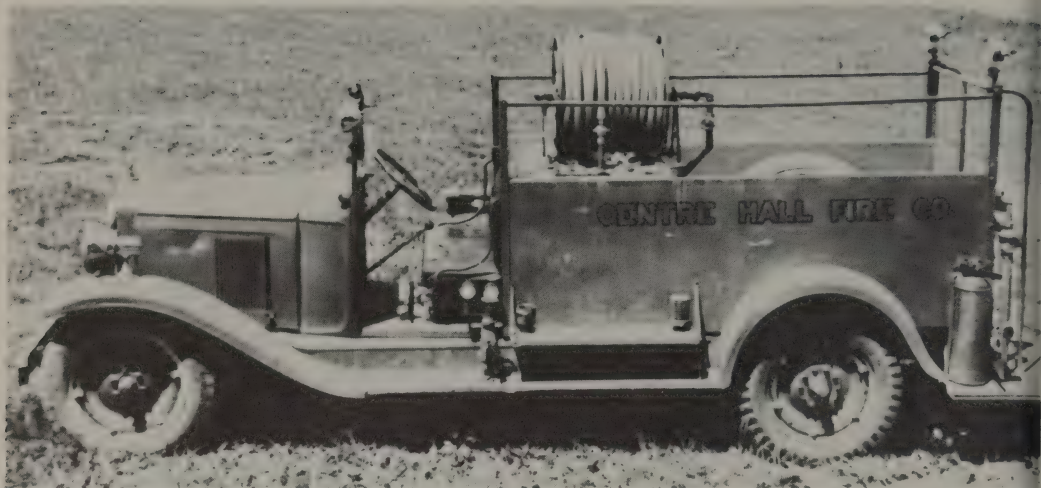


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Here we see Centre Hall's first motorized equipment. Strictly "home-made" by a number of the Fire Company's members, nevertheless a distinct credit to them both for their mechanical ability and for the efficient manner in which the equipment operates.

the flames had taken deep root, and efforts to save the building were in vain. By this time a number of other citizens had made their appearance and carried from the burning building gearing of three buggies, lumber, tools and such other goods as they could secure. A large amount of lumber, spokes, paints, oil, tread-powder, tools and other articles were burned, but were insured. The building, belonging to Jacob and John Arney, was worth about \$400. The cause of the fire is unknown. It originated in a room upstairs next to one in which Mr. Lee had been working until near noon.

March 2, 1887—The boro' authorities should make some provision for the extinguishment of fires, as there is no telling at what moment a conflagration will start and consume thousands of dollars worth of property for the want of appliances to check a fire in the start. All are in constant danger from a neglect in this regard, and when the disaster has befallen us no one will like to be accused of terrible neglect of duty. With water works unequaled by any town of its size in the country it is almost criminal neglect to pass so important a matter over with indifference.

1893—Centre Hall has not been visited for several years with a serious conflagration until last Friday, August 18, 1893, when the startling alarm of fire was spread through town about 7 o'clock in the evening. At the first cry it took but a moment to locate the flames which were seen issuing from the stable belonging to Mr. Wm. B. Mingle, in the rear of his residence.

A crowd soon gathered to assist in subduing the flames but it was seen that the structure was doomed to be destroyed, as the flames had spread over the building.

At first it was feared the flames would spread to other buildings in town and excitement for the time ran high. Adjoining Mr. Mingle's stable was one belonging to Mrs. McCulley and it was but a short time before the fire had communicated to this, and had wrapped the structure in a fiery embrace. The wind was blowing in a southerly direction and large sparks were carried over the town, and for a time affairs took a bad turn. Several roofs of dwellings took fire but with timely assistance the flames were extinguished. To keep the fire under control a building adjoining the McCulley stable was torn down in a few minutes and the flames were kept from communicating to other buildings. Several outbuildings near the residence of Mr. Mingle were in flames at one time and threatened the destruction of his dwelling, but a bucket brigade was formed and by a hard fight the flames were extinguished, and with the burning of the McCulley stable the fire was kept under control. Water fortunately was plenty and two full reservoirs were at the service of the town.

The flames started at a manure pile near the stable of Mr. Mingle and it is supposed to have originated from a bucket of ashes which had been thrown out by a member of the family. The ashes were supposed to contain no live coals, but it seems they did and from the manure pile the flames soon communicated to the stable, which, owing to its dry state, spread very rapidly.

In Mr. Mingle's stable there were several tons of hay and straw, lot of corn and other articles. No live stock was destroyed. The loss is about \$450 to Mr. Mingle and about \$300 to Mrs. McCulley.

1893—Mr. George F. Clement's feed mill at the lower end of town was discovered on fire last night, Wednesday, Oct. 4, 1893, about midnight and was totally destroyed. Mr. D. F. Luse, who lives one square away, was the first to give the alarm, he having discovered it from his bed chamber; he says it started on the outside of the building, hence must have been set on fire, and was just beginning to burn.

The mill was a small two-story frame with engine shed attached, and was only erected about a year ago. The mill had not been running since last spring. In it were stored a new wind-pump, a number of well hydrants, three fourths of a car load of coal, and some other articles.

In close proximity to the burning mill were several stables which were only saved by the free application of water. From the point at which the fire started it is evident that the fire was the work of an incendiary, and had been started from the outside. The total loss is about \$2400.

1895—The granger's picnic on last Thursday afternoon, Sept. 19, 1895, had an unusual experience long to be remembered by all on the grounds and in town.

There were several hundred teams tied to the fences inside and outside grounds and the crowd present numbered about 9000 people.

The rain on Wednesday caused Thursday forenoon, with its clear sky, to be all the more pleasant. About 1 o'clock a black cloud rose in the western sky, it came on rapidly, soon the western heavens were overcast with inky blackness, high winds, vivid lightning and heavy thunder were on. This had caused a stampede on the grounds; hundreds rushing for their teams to skip out, others running for places of shelter, the auditorium was packed almost as tight as a bologna sausage, women shrieked and fainted, the rain began to pour down in streams, the electrical discharge never were fiercer—altogether, the confusion of galloping teams, stampeding foot men, male and female, was a picture of terror. Carriages, spring wagons and buggies, loaded with human freight, came rushing through town, three and four abreast, as if on the race for life. Then there came the king of all flashes from the clouds, making the earth quake with its thunder, and struck the house of George Nearhood, a few rods from the picnic ground, setting it on fire and burning it to the cellar. All but the goods stored on the garret were removed amid the downpour of rain. Fortunately all the family were on the picnic ground when the the house was struck. Reuben, a son of D. L. Meek, of Ferguson, was on the porch when the house was struck, he was there to get a hatchet to disentangle his horse from a wire-fence; the lightning knocked him out into the middle of the road where he was picked up for dead, but regained consciousness an hour afterwards, supposed to have been fatally injured, but at this writing he seems to be recovering again. A dozen of persons within 40 rods of the house were stunned and knocked senseless while sitting in buggies for shelter; nearly a score of horses were knocked to the ground by the shock; in the railroad station, 150 rods off, agent Frank Bradford and his assistant, Mr. Swengel, were stunned by the shock and several horses fell to the ground; Mr. Strohm's horse while lying on the ground kicked the buggy all to pieces.

On the picnic ground a number of tents were blown down, among these the large canvas boarding tent of Mr. Sharkly, of Mechanicsburg, which was jammed with people seeking shelter under it, no one being hurt.

By four o'clock the sun began to peep out again and the sky became clear.

1889—On last Friday morning, March 8, 1889, between 4 and 5 o'clock, the flouring mills of Kurtz and Son were discovered on fire, and in two hours the entire plant, including a dwelling house,

was a mass of fiery ruins. the fire communicated to Bartholomew's grain elevator and coal sheds, adjoining the mill on the east, and these were also soon in the ruins.

The mill building was a high, three story frame structure, and was equipped with the best and latest improved roller machinery; it was erected in 1885, and was well known in a great portion of the state for its excellent grades of flour. The trade of the mill took in the Clearfield coal region and extended from Ebensburg and Hollidaysburg in the west to Wilkes-Barre in the east.

The stock burned comprised about 3,000 bushels of wheat, 200 barrels of flour, with about 5,400 bushels of oats, rye and corn, and large quantities of chop and bran. The dwelling near the west end of the mill, a two story frame, was also burned; it was occupied by Mr. John Martz, a shoemaker, who moved into it about three weeks before the fire. The greater part of his household goods was burned.

Another two story frame dwelling south of the mill, occupied by miller Campbell, was on fire several times, but by the exertions of some of the men on the ground the house was saved.

Bartholomew's store and residence were badly scorched and the windows broken by the heat. It was only the metallic roof that proved a protection against the flying sparks. Had the wind been a little more in the direction of Bartholomew's that entire section would have become a prey to the flames.

Bartholomew's grain house contained about 2,000 bushels of wheat, rye and oats and his coal shed several car loads of coal, all of which was burned.

The loss of Kurtz and Son is not less than \$20,000.

The fire lit up the country for miles around and was a sight of terrible grandeur, lighting up the whole southern side of Nittany Mountain.

Mr. Wm. Lee, living on the Wilson farm, was the first to notice a light at the mill, as he was on his way from the house to the stable at 4 o'clock, and supposed what he saw was engineer's lantern standing near the engine house door outside; as he was accustomed to seeing the engineer with his lantern early in the morning. Mr. Lee says all inside the engine house was dark, at the time when suddenly there went up a flash like powder up the sides of the angle formed by the joining of the engine house with the main building.

1889—At 1:15 on last Saturday morning, September 21, 1889, a terrific explosion aroused the greater portion of our people, and with it the store of Dale and Co., opposite Meyer's hotel, was on fire all over in an instant. The first explosion shook the town and was followed a few seconds later by another of less violence, and

five minutes later there were two or three other reports like gun shots. The first explosion sent all the glass in the windows shattered into the street. A crowd soon gathered, and in less than 25 minutes all the goods in the adjoining dwelling of Elizabeth Durst were carried out. In the meantime a bucket brigade was speedily formed from the plug in front of the hotel into the Durst house, and all efforts made to save it. With strenuous exertions, against all expectations, the house was saved.

The explosions were caused by several canisters containing powder in the store. How the fire originated is not known. Mr. Josiah Dale had a little fire in the stove that evening and left the store at 9, thinking all was right. He says there were \$4,000 worth of goods in the building. This store was on fire near noon one day last spring, and only timely help saved it.

During the fire some burglar or burglars attempted to break into the houses of Jas. Smetzler and Emily Alexander, but by the cries of the ladies the rascals were forced to beat a retreat.

The grange picnic was frequently visited by rain storms, but four of them were of unusual violence. The one last held in the woods beyond the station was so heavily deluged by rain on Thursday of that week as to break up the picnic. After that there was more or less rain every day for over a year.

The next violent thunder storm hit the picnic at midnight on Sunday beginning of the picnic. There were considerably more than the usual number of tenters at that stage of the affair, many being ladies from Bellefonte. The storm raged with great violence, the rain came down in torrents and thunder and lightning were terrific, tents by the score were blown down, and lights extinguished by the rain and wind. The ladies in their sleeping garbs were soaked to the skin, beds, clothing, all in and outside the tents was wringing wet, the darkness was so intense as to bewilder the denizens of the ground not knowing whither to flee. The tenters presented a pitiful sight from the night's experience.

The third storm struck the picnic two years ago (1895). It was a cyclone, came up suddenly, and hit the grounds with terrific fury; so sudden was its approach that few were prepared for pulling out. The clouds were of inky blackness; panic stricken hundreds made a dash for town; teams four abreast rushed through the streets; rain came down in torrents, lightning fearful and thunder terrific, one discharge stunned scores of persons and prostrated many horses on and at a distance of a quarter of a mile from the ground. Nearhood's house near the picnic was struck and burned to the ground.

The fourth violent thunder storm struck the picnic last Thursday evening, September 16, 1897, wrecking a circus and several other tents, and injuring a few persons.

1900—An alarm of fire was sent out through town Thursday afternoon, August 2, 1900, and in a very short time thereafter the hose carts were speedily on the way to the neat dwelling house of Wesley Whiteman, where the cruel elements were destroying with a seeming delight the hard earned savings of that man.

The hose from the station end of town, which was nearest the scene, were first to arrive. They were quickly fastened to the fire plug and a strong stream of water was played on the burning building. The flames at once began to yield, and within a short time afterward when both hose began pouring heavy streams on the burning mass they were gotten under control, and finally entirely extinguished.

In the meantime a large number of people had gathered, who at once began moving the household effects from the burning building. This work was accomplished with the usual destruction of goods, however, not wilfully, but through excitement. After most of the excitement had died out, and everyone was congratulating himself on the lucky outcome of the whole affair a brisk little fire was discovered on the roof of a poultry house on an adjoining lot belonging to John S. Dauberman. The fire had gained such headway that an attempt to extinguish it with the formation of a bucket brigade would have been entirely useless and but for the stream poured from the nozzle of a three-inch hose, several stables would be in ashes today.

The exact origin of the fire is unknown. It was first seen in the woodhouse, where a three-gallon can of oil was stored, and it seems this exploded almost immediately after the fire was started, because when first seen by Dr. Hosterman the flames were leaping high in the air and laughed at the bucket of water he had brought with him. The Whiteman family were absent from home. Mr. Whiteman is one of the section force, and his wife had gone to gather berries.

All the outbuildings, which were attached to the main dwelling, were gutted and sections of them almost entirely consumed. The rear part of the house was badly scorched and at some places the weather boarding almost burned through. The loss will foot up several hundred dollars.

But for the borough water supply there would be a different story to tell today. John S. Dauberman would have ruins instead of a good home. Dr. G. W. Hosterman's splendid brown stone dwelling would have the appearance of a tower instead of a mansion, and a half dozen other dwellings and stables could not possibly have escaped destruction. Only one thing saved these buildings, and that was the splendid supply of water and pressure furnished by the borough water plant.

This is the first instance in the history of Centre Hall that a fire was extinguished before it consumed the building, after the height of the flames had reached the second story. Why, because water could never before be forced to that height in effective quantities. And for two reasons: First, the water was never available; second, no pressure.

With the present borough water plant in operation during the fire of 1884, when the Wolf and Neff stables and the Lutheran church were wiped out of existence, the church at least could have been saved from destruction.

1901—	D. Irvin's Sons, hardware.....	\$4,000
	Building	1,800
	Foundry Co., 100 corn planters.....	825
	100 feed cutters.....	350
	G. A. R. and S. of V.....	500
	Total.....	<hr/> \$7,475

These are the figures that represent the loss in the fire of Tuesday afternoon, February 19, 1901.

The fire was caused by a lamp upsetting in the cellar, which was taken there by Mrs. Irvin when she went for a bucket of coal. The woman tried to extinguish the flames, but the fire soon spread to a lot of rubbish and it was with difficulty she gained the stairway which led to safety from the flames. Almost choked to death with smoke, the frightened woman managed to give the alarm. This was at 1:45 p. m.

Before the alarm was heeded and assistance came, the hardware store room was filled with smoke, and it was impossible for any one to enter.

The office of the Centre Hall foundry company was in one corner of the bulding, and was separated by a brick wall. This was opened and all papers and the safe taken out before any damage was done.

The hose carriages arrived in good time, but the inflammable matter in the cellar was burning at a terrific rate and the flames had crept up the side of the building inside the weather boarding. Presently there was a terrific explosion, and all effort to save the building was abandoned. The whole glass front of the building was blown out by the explosion and the flames shot high in the air. Besides the powder, there were several hundred gallons of oil of all kinds in the oil room, and the heat it created was intense.

The building and its contents were doomed. Attention was then given surrounding property, which was that of Dr. J. F. Alexander, D. J. Meyer, W. B. Mingle, Esq., Mrs. McCulley and Miss Emily Alexander. The wind came directly from the west and was favorable. The McCulley house, Miss Emily Alexander's and Dr. Alex-

ander's house were on fire several times, but each time was extinguished. The house occupied by merchant W. H. Meyer was also on fire, as were also a half dozen stables. It took close watching to confine the flames to the original building. The house of D. J. Meyer was pretty well scorched, but the continued watch of its owner and others succeeded in baffling the elements.

Diagonally across the street and back of the house Miss Emily Alexander that morning had hung her wash to dry. A spark lit on some of the clothing and it was consumed on the line.

The building was the property of E. M. Huyett and W. O. Rearick. The only thing saved belonging to the hardware store was the cash box which Mrs. Irvin in her flight snatched up. All the books were burned.

Samuel Shannon Post, G. A. R. and the Sons of Veterans had their rooms in the upper story of the building. Everything in them was destroyed, including a valuable collection of official war documents.

1902—The Howard Creamery plant at Centre Hall was almost totally burned to the ground Tuesday night, March 4, 1902, at 10:30. The flames had gained great headway before the fire was discovered, and in a short time the eastern portion of the building was ablaze in all parts.

The hose carriages from the south and north sections were quickly hauled to the scene, and two three-quarter inch streams through several hundred feet of hose were put into action. There was a hot contest between the two elements—fire and water. The former had an advantage of time, but the latter finally triumphed. The flames were subdued; the ruins inspected.

The fire seems to have originated in the section of the creamery plant in which the engine is located. The fire had been drawn about noon, and a portion of the wall surrounding the boiler was removed in the afternoon by one of the employees, E. W. Crawford. There was no other fire in the building. The starting point of the fire was that most obscure to any one passing by on the street, or nearby dwellers which, added to the fact that the building stands isolated, are reasons why the discovery of the flames was not made earlier.

The borough water plant proved itself to be invaluable to property owners. The force never slackened for an instant, and the water supply was not perceptibly reduced after drawing from its source continuously an inch and a half stream under heavy pressure for several hours.

The first fire alarm was given by Ted Bartholomew, student at the Pennsylvania railroad station. The news was telephoned to the upper portion of town and the frightening cry of fire was heard in every section.

The total loss of the Howard Creamery Company is \$4,000.

Among the active fire fighters under Fire Marshal B. D. Brisbin was I. V. Musser, Domer Emerick, Forest From, Ed. Riter, John Martz, W. B. Mingle, the Luses, E. W. Crawford, Frank and Clyde Bradford, Charles Slack.

1905—A drunken tourist was put into the lock-up Saturday, June 3, 1905, to sober up, and some time during the night he set fire to the "castle", burning a hole through the door almost large enough to permit his body to pass through. About 4 o'clock in the morning the drunk began to realize that the flame was becoming dangerous to his personal safety, and he set up a howl for help. The first man to appear on the scene was John Sanders, who saw the brisk flame from his bed room window. Later a half dozen residents living near the lock-up were aroused, and went to the rescue. Constable Runkle was called up, and released the prisoner, and later the fire was extinguished.

The drunk was well cured—thoroughly smoked, and had not help arrived when it did, his flesh would have been roasted.

1907—Sunday morning, August 4, 1907, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock, the alarm of fire was sounded throughout Centre Hall. All were in their first sleep, but soon a large portion of the populace was aroused, and found its way to the south end of town where the stable of Harry C. Shirk was all ablaze. When the fire was first discovered by Messrs. D. W. Bradford and A. P. Luse, the flames were shooting through the roof, and there was no possible way of releasing several dumb brutes that were made frantic by the flames about them.

In a short time after the discovery of the fire a stream of water was playing on the flames, and protected the rear of Mr. Shirk's dwelling house which stood near by. The night was calm, and the little breeze that was felt carried the flames in a favorable direction.

The structure was a large town stable and was filled with provender. A valuable driving horse, a cow and a dog composed the live stock burned. Two buggies, sleigh, sled, wagon, harness, etc., were also consumed, the loss being quite considerable.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. At the time of the fire it was generally accepted that the fire was at least not of incendiary origin, but later suspicions have been aroused.

1912—The Centre Hall Planing Mill purchased early in the spring from A. P. Luse and Son was destroyed by fire on Thursday night, June 13, 1912. The loss is fully \$3,500. The fire originated in the engine room, and is supposed to have been started by a spark from the engine.

Although their loss is total, the Zettle Brothers have already made preparations to rebuild. Since they have had charge of the mill a great deal of work has been done, and many orders were booked, and a large amount of prospective work in sight. The new firm was much pleased with their business, and had every assurance of having all the business they could do. Many expressions of regret were heard as the flames were licking up the Zettle Brother's property.

The fire was discovered by merchant Geo. O. Benner, who saw a light in the mill from his home nearby, and at once he suspected it was fire out of control. He hurried to the scene, and his expectations were proven, the alarm of fire having been given in advance. The flames were then confined to the engine room, but it was only a few minutes until every foot of the interior was a mass of flames. The iron roof kept the flames from shooting upward, but the windows soon gave way, and from these great tongues of fire shot many feet into the air.

The hose were attached to a convenient fire plug and streams played on the dwelling house of Wm. Keller and the two large sheds, filled with finished lumber, to the rear of the planing mill proper. No damage was done to either of these, but it was solely due to the timely arrival of the "boys with the hose"

There was little or no wind on Thursday night. After the roof fell, the flames leaped high into the air, the sky was lighted up beautifully, and Nittany mountain never looked prettier at night.

The whistle on the Weber mill summoned many country people from their beds to windows, and on discovering the fire they made an effort to reach it quickly. Outside of those who handled the hose there was little to do for the hundreds of others who had gathered except to watch the flames.

The planing mill was equipped with a large number of machines of various kinds, the principal ones being a planer, molding, ten-anting, mortising machines, shaper, sander, turning lathe, panel raiser, beveling machines, rip, cut-off, band saws and re-saw.

The engine is irreparable, but the boiler is thought to be in good condition.

There was also a fully equipped saw mill to the east side of the plant as well as a modern cider press. Both were burned.

A number of customers had from one to several thousand feet of lumber at the plant, others finished material, all of which is a total loss.

1916—A fire of mysterious origin gutted the brick stable on the G. L. Goodhart property, in Centre Hall, Thursday evening, Sept. 21, and destroyed three tons of choice hay, besides a large quantity of straw. It was about six o'clock when the alarm was given and

in a short order both hose carts were on hand. The fire was confined within the solid brick walls of the stable, thereby saving the neighboring stables from a similar fate.

No cause for the blaze can be given. The stable was kept locked as a rule, but it is said that on the day of the fire it was thoughtlessly left open and there is a supposition that boys and matches were the cause of the loss.

Mrs. Goodhart was at the home of her son, J. C. Goodhart, near Centre Hill, when the fire occurred and consequently the Goodhart home was closed.

1922—The most threatening fire in the history of Centre Hall occurred early Sunday morning, Oct. 22, when the rear portion of the Odd Fellows building, occupied as a warehouse by Merchant C. M. Smith, was discovered on fire. The general store conducted by Mr. Smith occupied the lower southern portion of the building, and on the north side front is the pool room and adjoining this is Mr. Smith's residence—all under one roof.

The fire was first discovered by W. J. Smith, the dairyman, who, with Mrs. F. O. Bairfoot, left Bellefonte for their home in Centre Hall at 1:30 A. M. arriving here at 2 o'clock. At that time the fire was well developed, the interior of the warehouse being a mass of flames. The alarm given by Mr. Smith soon aroused others and within a short time the hose cart of the north section of town was on hand and the hose coupled up. The heavy stream of water soon subdued much of the visible flame, but in the meantime the fire had crept between the plastering and the weatherboarding to various sections of the building. The local volunteer firemen struggled on, but it was apparent that the flames were gaining headway, and that the building was doomed and that surrounding buildings especially the old furniture building and the Reporter building, the former owned by C. M. Smith and the latter by the First National Bank, were in imminent danger. At this juncture a request was sent to the Bellefonte fire department for aid, and in a remarkably short time the Undine pumper with a complement of 20 to 25 men was on hand, who after a considerable struggle subdued the flames. Chemicals were first used, the men entering the lodge room from the front and cutting holes through the walls. Water, of course, played an important part in extinguishing the flames. The pressure proved to be over 60 pounds and this made the use of the Undine pressure pumps needless.

At the time of the fire Mr. Smith, proprietor of the general store, was in DeKalb, Ill. The store was placed in the hands of John H. Weber and T. L. Moore, who closed it at 12 o'clock Saturday night. They are certain there was no fire about the place when they left it. Neither of the gentlemen smoke, nor had they been in the cellar during the evening. It appears, too, that none of the doors or windows had been forced. The origin of the fire is entirely a

mystery. There is no evidence whatever that the conflagration was started on the outside.

Mr. Smith states his stock of general merchandise would invoice between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

John Coldron conducted the pool room in a portion of the building.

1922—A brisk fire in rubbish about an over-heated stove pipe was discovered Wednesday morning, Nov. 29, about 8 o'clock, on the second floor of the store building of C. M. Smith, general merchant. The fire was discovered by Miss Pearl Keller, a seamstress, from the opposite side of the street, the glare of the fire through a window attracting her attention.

When the Odd Fellows building was greatly damaged by fire, a few weeks ago, by a fire supposed to have originated in the ware houses connected with Mr. Smith's store, the goods were removed by him to what is known as the old furniture store owned by him and located across an alley from its former site. The fire started last Friday.

On the second floor of the building where the fire started, Mr. Smith also had stored some of his household effects, together with merchandise, boxes, etc. The stove pipe passes through the ceiling and to the chimney on the second floor.

1927—The Hosterman Garage, owned by Walter R. Hosterman, took fire Sunday night, Jan. 16, about 12 o'clock, and before it was seen by nearby neighbors, flames from it were leaping high in the air, greatly threatening the I. O. O. F. building in which is located the Oriole store, the hall of the order and the Mitterling pool room.

It appeared a long wait, and yet it was a short time, until the hand hose wagon and hose appeared and attachment was made to the plug, but once in action the heavy stream showed immediate effects, and in less than five minutes the flames were so reduced that one felt that while great destruction in the interior of the garage was going on, adjoining property was reasonably safe. The attachment of the second line of hose brought from the station section of the town guaranteed this. There was a hard battle on for a considerable period, but at no time was there anything but confidence of being able to keep the flames confined to the original structure, and for this reason the proffered aid of the Bellefonte fire company was not necessary.

During the early stages of the fire, L. L. Smith, who formerly owned the garage and lives next door to it, was battling to remove from the workshop two cars—a Dodge coupe and a Dodge touring—stored there by him. The door was partially opened, where the cars stood within arm's length, but he got no further. The door refused to yield, and it was only after the cars were almost a total wreck that they with others were removed.

The loss sustained by Mr. Hosterman is estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

In addition to the equipment and stock, two new cars, one a Dodge sedan and the other a Nash car, were totally ruined. In storage were the two cars belonging to Mr. Smith, a sedan owned by the Misses Ecroyd, of Tusseyville, a Studebaker by a Pittsburgh party in storage since the hunting season.

The origin of the fire has not been determined absolutely, but the probability is that it was caused by the electric wiring. The seat of the fire was at the point where the electric meter was located. The floor in that region was not burned. The furnace and flue were located on the opposite side of the building.

Mr. Hosterman came to Centre Hall Jan. 1, 1925, and began business at that time. He leased the garage from L. L. Smith, and last summer purchased it for \$6750.

Vilas Wise, a young man going from his home in Brush Valley to State College where he is employed, gave the fire alarm. He observed the flames shooting into the air coming up the Brush Valley road. He had difficulty in arousing residents, but finally succeeded in awakening a few of them. The telephone exchange operator, Miss Verna Rowe, was notified and she at once called a large number of patrons in all sections of town.

1928—The top of the residence of George Searson, located in the central portion of town, was burned off on Wednesday, April 18, at noon before the flames were extinguished. A spark from a flue ignited a shingle roof that was not in good condition. The fire spread over the entire roof in almost an instant and before the family was aware their home was on fire.

Alarm sent out by telephone brought out the fire department from both north and south sections of town, the former reaching the scene first. In an exceedingly short time after the hose were attached, the flames began to recede. The entire roof was reduced to ashes; the attic floor burned through in places and the outer walls damaged in some places below the top square.

While the flames were being subdued the furniture was being removed. Practically everything, including a piano, was carried out. Mrs. Searson, upon realizing the situation, bundled up her clothing and threw them from an upper window but later burning embers did these considerable damage.

Everything on the attic was burned, the largest loss being harness valued at no less than \$500.

The Bellefonte fire company arrived after the fire had been conquered, although they made a speedy getaway and record run over the mountain.

The Searson home was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. George Searson and their son, James, the latter's wife and little daughter. They at once moved into the house known as the old Reformed parsonage nearby and owned by the son.

While the furniture on the first and second floors was removed, the damage to it from various sources is large.

The Searson place is better known as the W. B. Mingle home, which was extensively remodeled by Mr. Mingle. From the best information obtainable the house was built by William Harkins during the fifties and was occupied by him during the early history of Centre Hall.

1928—The Mitterling sales barn, together with 21 milch cows and ten calves, was destroyed about midnight Wednesday, Nov. 14, Rev. D. R. Keener, who lives nearby, made a desperate effort to release the cattle, but the heat was so intense that he was prostrated and was obliged to crawl away on his hands and knees. He had taken the precaution to throw a heavy coat over his head, appreciating the danger.

It was the bleating of the innocent calves and bellowing of the cows that spurred Rev. Keener to risk his life to save the dumb animals from being roasted alive.

The barn was owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Mitterling. The cows and calves were owned by W. C. Witmer, of near Bellefonte, who had leased the barn in which to keep and feed the cattle until sold. Previous to this he had had several public sales of cows late in the evening but this time he planned to sell at private sale.

The origin of the fire is a mystery ; it appears to have been started on the loft where a load of straw and a load of hay had been stored. The cattle were in the care of C. W. Slack, who closed the barn between 8 and 9 o'clock p. m. When the fire had subsided at the front door, examination was made and it was found the rolling door had been pushed open for a foot or more. This door led into a shed, a partition separating it from the section in which the cows were kept. Playing a stream of water onto this section for a time overcame the flames and permitted examination of the door. Later the whole structure was destroyed.

The first to get an alarm to the telephone exchange was Harold Durst, who had just returned to the home of his parents south of the boro line. Another to give an alarm early was Mr. Musser, an Atlantic gas truck driver, who came over the mountain. He presumed the fire was known to exist until he reached the Frank Fisher home, close to the scene of the fire. He attempted to arouse the Fishers, but failed to get a response—the family was out of town. His calls, however, awakened others.

Frank D. Lee, who lives nearby, was also on the scene early, and found Rev. Keener using his hose to protect the cornice of the Reformed church edifice located close to the burning barn.

The hose carts from the south and the north sections arrived in time to save the church, which, under the circumstances was all that could be done. The night was calm. The flames shooting high in the air illuminated the sky for a great distance. The reflection in various sections was beautiful, although the flames were destructive.

Mr. Witmer's loss is not less than \$2500, and Mrs. Mitterling's about \$3,000.

The barn was built about twenty years ago by the late Wm. J. Mitterling who used it in his business of buying and shipping cattle. The structure was 80 x 30 feet, two stories, with a high roof. It was built very substantially and painted. Wm. B. Feidler and Asher Stahl were chief carpenters in the construction of the barn.

On Friday a trench was dug, largely by volunteers, and in this the partially burned carcasses were buried.

December 13, 1933—The business place of J. Shannon Boozer, an auto assessor's store, heavily stocked with every need of the motorist, broke out in flames shortly after midnight this morning and was totally destroyed. The Boozer home, six feet to the south, and the T. A. Hosterman store and home, across Pine alley to the north and the Boozer fire-proof garage to the rear of the store, which gave storage to 12 or 15 automobiles, were unharmed.

Built in the early history of the town, the structure, a 2-story building, was made of heavy hand-hewn logs and plank, and so in burning withstood the heavy onslaughts of water with no telling effect for a long time. Despite the raging inferno within, the building did not collapse.

Large credit is due the firemen who did heroic work in confining the flames to the immediate building. During the height of the fire, intrepid volunteers dashed into the building through broken windows and salvaged cash register and records.

As stated, the building was linked with the early history of Centre Hall. It was built by the Harpsters and occupied for a long time as a blacksmith shop. It was acquired later by Wm. W. Boob, the wheel manufacturer, and sold by him shortly after 1900, to D. A. Boozer. It housed the Centre Reporter for about ten years and was then occupied by David A. Boozer as a harness shop and store and later improved and converted into an auto accessory store.

An account of the fire without a word of commendation for the valient volunteer firemen would be to fail to give praise where due. Nobly worked, facing danger and enduring near-

zero temperature with no thought other than to defeat their common enemy, fire. Mr. Boozer is duly grateful for the service rendered and has asked the Centre Reporter to make public such statement. Mr. Boozer will rebuild. His plans are to erect a modern fire-proof building to care for the fine business he enjoys from both local and transient trade.

March 14, 1940—Fire almost completely destroyed the Vogt Motor Company Garage, owned and operated by Edward Vogt, at about 1:30 p. m. today. Mr. Vogt is the local Ford dealer and the damage is estimated at \$8,000 including, in addition to the building, garage and office equipment, five new cars and a 1936 model car. Mr. Vogt suffered burns about the face and hands, requiring treatment by Dr. Chas. H. Light. Only by prompt and effective work on the part of the Centre Hall Fire Company was it possible to save the Vogt home, located only a few feet from the garage. Nearby homes on East Church Street were also believed in danger for a time.

The fire originated from a can of gasoline which was ignited by a spark from an electric drill which was being used in repair work on Samuel Brown's car. The Brown car was destroyed and the mechanic, Philip Smith, narrowly escaped being seriously burned.

P E N N ' S C A V E

PENNSYLVANIA'S GRANDEST CAVERN

Centre Hall is fortunate in having within its midst, the Nationally-famous Cavern which has attracted tens of thousands of visitors from all corners of the world.

It is not generally known that the namesakes, or distant relatives of America's greatest poet, Edgar Allen Poe, were the first white men to own Penn's Cave. The original name was spelled Poh, but became altered like so many of the other old-time names, into its present form.

The Penn's Cave tract of land was surveyed in pursuance of two warrants granted to James Poh, or Poe, dated January 5 and November 3, 1773. A patent for these lands was issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to James Poe, dated April 9, 1789.

At his death, James Poe left the Cave farm to his daughter, Susanna M. Poe, and his will is duly recorded in the records of Franklin County, Pennsylvania, Centre County not yet having come into existence. The young heiress became the wife of Samuel Vantries, and the Penn's Cave property took the name of "Vantries Place", by which name it was known for many years.

Samuel Vantries died in 1884 and the property passed into the hands of his two sons, Jesse and Samuel, Jr.

During the World War the property was purchased by George Long and was soon sold to John A. Herman of Pleasant Gap.

In 1918 the farm and cave again exchanged hands, being purchased by brothers, Dr. H. C. Campbell of Philadelphia and Robert P. Campbell, the latter residing upon the property until his death in October, 1932.

Since January 1, 1933, Mrs. Edith Campbell, widow of the late Robert P. Campbell, has been the owner, and the place has been occupied for the past number of years by her eldest son, William P. Campbell and wife.

For the following lines, and legend, we are indebted to Hon. Henry W. Shoemaker, Chairman of the State Historical Commission of Pennsylvania, which we reproduce, by permission, from a collection of his most inspiring works:

"Penn's Cave is like a genius half understood, modest and retiring. The height of the roof in the highest part is 55 feet. The temperature of the cave, all the year 'round, is 50 degrees, and the cave property is situated 1,200 feet above sea level. The cave received its name because John Penn's Creek, rightly named the Karoondinha, rises in it. Penn's Creek was named after John Penn (1729-1795), grandson of the founder of Pennsylvania, Captain James Potter having given it this appellation in January, 1764."

THE LEGEND OF PENN'S CAVE

"Nita-nee", The Indian Maiden, After Whom Nittany Mountain Was Named

(Related by Isaac Steele, an Aged Seneca Indian, in 1892.)

In the days when the West Branch Valley was a trackless wilderness of defiant pines and submissive hemlocks twenty-five years before the first pioneer had attempted lodgement beyond Sunbury, a young Pennsylvania Frenchman, from Lancaster County, named Malachi Boyer, alone and unaided, pierced the jungle to a point where Bellefonte is now located. The history of his travels has never been written, partly because he had no white companion to observe them, and partly because he himself was unable to write. His very identity would now be forgotten were it not for the traditions of the Indians with whose lives he became strangely entangled.

A short, stockily built fellow was Malachi Boyer, with unusually prominent black eyes and black hair that hung in ribbon-like strands over his broad, low forehead. Fearless, yet conciliatory, he escaped a thousand times from Indian cunning and treachery, and as the months went by and he penetrated further into the forests he numbered many redskins among his cherished friends.

Why he explored these boundless wilds he could not explain, for it was now in the interest of science, as he scarcely knew of such a thing as geography, and it was not for trading, as he lived by the way. But on he forced his path, ever aloof from his own race, on the alert for the strange scenes that encompassed him day by day.

One beautiful month of April—there is no one who can tell the exact year—found Malachi Boyer camped on the shores of Spring Creek. Near the Mammoth Spring was an Indian camp, whose occupants maintained a quasi-intercourse with the pale faced stranger. Sometimes old Chief O-ko-cho would bring gifts of corn to Malachi, who in turn presented the chieftain with a hunting knife of truest steel. And in this way Malachi came to spend more and more of his time about the Indian camps, only keeping his distance at night and during religious ceremonies.

Old O-ko-cho's chief pride was centered in his seven stalwart sons, Hum-kin, Ho-ko-lin, Too-chin, Os-tin, Chaw-kee-bin, A-ha-kin, Ko-lo-pa-kin, and his Diana like daughter, Nita-nee. The seven brothers resolved themselves into a guard of honor for their sister, who had many suitors, among whom was the young chief E-Faw, from the adjoining sub-tribe of the A-caw-ko-tahs. But Nita-nee, gently, though firmly, repulsed her numerous suitors, until such time as her father would give her in marriage to one worthy of her regal blood.

Thus ran the course of Indian life when Malachi Boyer made his bed of hemlock boughs by the gurgling waters of Spring Creek. And it was the first sight of her, washing a deerskin in the stream that led him to prolong his stay and ingratiate himself with her father's tribe.

Few were the words that passed between Malachi and Nita-nee, many glances and often did the handsome pair meet in the mossy ravines near the camp grounds. But this was all clandestine love, for friendly as Indian and white might be in social intercourse, never could a marriage be tolerated, until—there is always a turning point in romance—the black-haired wanderer and the beautiful Nita-nee resolved to spend their lives together, and one moonless night started for the more habitable East. All night long they treaded their silent way climbing the mountain ridges, gliding through the velvet-soiled hemlock glades and wading, hand in hand, the splashing, resolute torrents. When morning came they breakfasted on dried meat and huckleberries, and bathed their faces in a mineral spring. Until—there is always a turning point in romance—seven tall, stealthy forms like animated mountain pines, stepped from the gloom and surrounded the eloping couple. Malachi drew a hunting knife, identical with the one he had given to Chief O-ko-cho, and, seizing Nita-nee around the waist stabbed right and left at his would-be captors. The first stroke pierced Hum-kin's heart, and, uncomplainingly, he sank down dying. The six remaining brothers, although receiving stab wounds, caught Malachi in their combined grasp and disarmed him; then one brother held sobbing Nita-nee, while the others dragged fighting Malachi across the mountain.

That was the last the lovers saw of one another. Below the mountain lay a broad valley from the center of which rose a circular hillock, and it was to this mound the savage brothers led their victim. As they approached, a yawning cavern met their eyes, filled with greenish limestone water. There is a ledge at the mouth of the cave, about six feet higher than the water, above

which the arched roof rises thirty feet, and it was from here they shoved Malachi Boyer into the tide below. He sank for a moment, but when he rose to the surface, commenced to swim. He approached the ledge, but the brothers beat him back, so he turned and made for some dry land in the rear of the cavern. Two of the brothers ran from the entrance over the ridge to watch, where there is another small opening, but though Malachi tried his best, in the impenetrable darkness, he could not find this or any other avenue of escape. He swam back to the cave's mouth, but the merciless Indians were still on guard. He climbed up again and again, but was repulsed, and once more retired to the dry cave. Every day for a week he renewed his efforts to escape, but the brothers were never absent. Hunger became unbearable, his strength gave way, but he vowed he would not let the redskins see him die, so forcing himself into one of the furthestmost labyrinths, Malachi Boyer breathed his last.

Two days afterward the brothers entered the cave and discovered the body. They touched not the coins in his pockets, but weighted him with stones and dropped him into the deepest part of the greenish limestone water. And after these years those who have heard this legend declare that on the still summer nights an unaccountable echo rings through the cave, which sounds like "Nita-nee", "Nita-nee".

GLIMPSES OF CENTRE HALL

On this, and the following pages, we show portions of the old home town. Because of the many large trees, these photos do not do justice to the many beautiful homes, - yet our trees are, in themselves, beautiful!

It is with sincere regret that our limited budget does not permit the showing of every section of the town. Photos by W. W. Kerlin.















Reformed Church, Centre Hall, Pa.

1910





BASE BALL

Throughout the years, - long before Centre Hall became an incorporated borough, - we have always been proud of our ball teams. - win or lose, - the teams have been well supported by the citizenry and during the sixty-seven years of which records are available, the boys have usually "brought home their share of the bacon".

Space does not permit comments here on more than a few of the most outstanding games. We are indebted to the files of the "Centre Reporter" for those that follow. Perhaps certain games were not "written up" in the weekly paper and records are not available. The following we submit in order that a number of these games will become a matter of record and of interest, we hope, to you:

September 18, 1875 . . . A game of baseball was played this afternoon (Saturday) south of town between the students of the Penn Hall Academy and the Lynxeye club of this place. Our boys gained the day. The score was 32 to 76.

July 29, 1886 . . . Our ball team, accompanied by a number of citizens, took the morning train for Mifflinburg to cross bats with the team of that place. Upon arrival they were greeted by a large crowd at the depot and escorted by manager Sechler to Decker's hotel. At 9:30 the game was called. Centre Hall team winning the toss, took the field. Centre Hall won 13 to 15, Mifflinburg scoring 4 runs in the 9th, throwing somewhat of a scare into our lads. Harpster caught for C. H. although he had a finger dislocated yesterday. This makes the fifth triumph for our boys. Good!

August 21, 1891 (Friday) . . . Our boys were hosts to Pleasant Gap ball team on Grange Park. Score: Centre Hall 20; Pleasant Gap 2. Game called at end of sixth inning account of darkness. Batteries: Centre Hall: Murray, Lenney and Meyer - Pleasant Gap: Miller and Houser.

August 25, 1891 (Tuesday) . . . Centre Hall takes interesting game at Millheim. Our boys, true to form, played magnificent ball. Players of respective teams, etc. follows: Millheim: Chas. Royer; C. H. Musser; Chas. Stambach; Geo. Schnure of New Berlin; Sim. Royer, J. B. Lose, C. O. Musser, H. C. Musser, P. H. Musser. Centre Hall: D. A. Boozer, W. Stuart, Grant Meyer, C. H. Murray, J. M. Lenney, F. Robinson, C. F. Deininger, G. O. Benner. Score: Millheim 8; Centre Hall 16. Umpires: Fred Kurtz, Jr. and Dr. Harter. Scorer: D. W. Geiss.

September 12, 1891 . . . Again our boys displayed their ability as champion ball players. Today (Saturday) they tackled the strong Bellefonte team, on our local grounds, and came through to the tune of 9 to 4. The line-up was as follows: Centre Hall: M'Cloud (c), Culp (rf), Stuart (3b), Boozer (1b), Murray (p),

Robinson (2b), Lenney (ss), Meyer (cf), Dinges (lf). Bellefonte: Yeager (c), Rine (3b), Harper (2b), Harris (lf), Kelly (rf), Woodcock (ss), Bayard (cf), Cruse (1b), Saylor (p). Murray allowed but three hits against 6 gathered by our team.

August 31, 1901 . . . This afternoon our ball team met defeat at Hecla Park. With two down in the 9th an inexcusable error, on the part of one of our boys, set the pace for a Hecla batting rally with the ultimate result as indicated below:

HECLA PARK	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Herman, 3b	2	1	1	0	1	VanValzah, 3b	1	2	0	2	1
Mann, 2b	3	2	4	1	2	Hosterman, 1b	3	2	14	0	1
H. Workman, c	2	4	5	5	2	Stahl, 2b	1	2	3	2	1
Smull, ss	2	4	1	0	0	Alters, c	1	3	7	4	1
Krape, 1b	0	0	12	0	1	From, lf	0	2	1	0	0
McMullin, p-lf	2	1	1	7	1	R. Boozer, cf	1	1	1	0	0
Waliizer, lf-p	1	2	1	1	0	Knarr, ss	0	2	0	4	2
W. Workman, cf ..	1	2	1	0	0	Fleming, rf	2	2	0	0	0
Zimmerman, rf	2	0	0	0	0	W. Boozer, p	3	1	1	1	1
Totals	15	16	*26	14	7		12	17	27	13	7

* From out, hit by batter ball.

Hecla Park	4	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	—15
Centre Hall	1	0	0	0	1	6	2	2	0	—12

The Centre Hall boys are mighty proud of this showing, considering that the Hecla team is recognized as being, by great odds, the best in these parts, - having defeated practically every team in Centre and Clearfield Counties, and several from the larger communities in Clinton County.

July 4, 1905 . . . This afternoon the Centre Hall team was "beat-en by one" on the local Grange Park diamond by the strong team from Milroy. The visitors had an excellent battery, their pitcher having done creditable work against such teams as Bucknell, the Carlisle Indians, and other equally strong teams. Had the local players been playing regularly the past few months it is safe to predict that they would have come through victorious. The score:

MILROY	Runs	Hits	CENTRE HALL	Runs	Hits
Lucas, ss-c	1	2	C. Stahl, 1b	1	3
Steret, cf	2	3	Bloomster, c	2	0
Norris, rf	2	3	A. Stahl, 2b	2	2
Peters, c-ss	1	2	Corey, lf	1	1
Gisewhite, 1b	2	2	Stover, cf	1	2
Kramer, p	2	3	Smith, ss	0	2
Springfellow, lf	1	3	Ishler, rf	1	2

A. Mowery, 2b	0	0	R. Boozer, 3b	1	1
E. Mowery, 3b	0	2	Wm. Boozer, p	0	1
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	11	20		10	14

July 15, 1905 . . . The Centre Hall Junior besaball team again defeated the Spring Mills Juniors. This time by a score of 18 - 14. Game was at Spring Mills. Line-up: Centre Hall: Coldron (3b), Jacobs (2b), R. Stover (p-cf), Homan (cf-p), Mitterling (rf), Bradford (ss), A. Stover (c), Goodhart (lf), Bailey (1b). Spring Mills: Allison (1b), Rossman (c), Gramley (3b), Heims (ss), Leitzel (p), Osman (rf), Kennelley (2b), Bartley (lf), Gentzel (cf).

September 15, 1906 . . . The Centre Hall team defeated Yeager-town, on the home diamond, this afternoon to the tune of 6-5 (13 innings). Both teams played well. Bailey, local twirler, fanned 20 of the visiting batters and allowed but nine hits during the session.

May 8, 1908 . . . The Centre Hall team was host this afternoon to the strong ball tossers from Milesburg. The game was most interesting and the locals established a new record—a no-hit game. The score:

MILESBURG	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Metz, 3b	0	0	1	1	0	Hartman, 2b	0	2	4	1	0
Jodon, C., c	0	0	11	2	0	Shutt, rf	0	0	0	0	1
Miles, E., 1b	0	0	7	0	0	Shires, 3b	0	0	0	0	0
Hugg, lf	0	0	1	0	0	Stahl, A., 1b	0	1	2	1	1
Baird, 2b	0	0	3	0	1	Mitterling, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Johnson, p	0	0	0	4	1	Smith, rf	1	2	0	0	0
Miles, W., ss	0	0	1	4	1	Knarr, ss	1	1	0	0	1
Jodon, J., cf	0	0	0	1	0	Hassinger, c	0	0	19	0	0
Shope, rf	0	0	0	0	0	Bailey, p	1	1	0	2	0
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Totals	0	0	24	12	3		3	7*26	4	3	

* Miles out, bunting 3rd strike.

Milesburg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0
Centre Hall	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	—3

Two base hit, Smith. Three base hit, Stahl. Struck out by Johnson 7, by Bailey 19. Umpire, J. F. Smith. Scorer, John C. Bailey.

July 31, 1913 . . . The Centre Hall Baseball team has been playing some exceptionally good games but today their most decisive victory was scored, on occasion of the Reformed Sunday school picnic on Grange Park. Milesburg has a better team than the box score indicates while the locals played their usual brand of ball. The score:

MILESBURG	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Woodring, 1b	0	0	11	0	1	Bailey, 2b	3	1	3	2	0
Sechler, 2b	0	1	2	1	1	Bradford, P., 3b	3	1	2	3	1
Malin, ss	1	1	1	3	3	Allison, 1b	1	2	9	1	0
Smith, c	1	1	6	1	1	Bradford, W., p	1	2	1	2	0
Hauck, rf	0	0	0	1	1	Knarr, ss	1	2	3	3	0
Clark, 3b	1	1	0	2	3	Garis, c	1	0	9	3	0
Hugg, lf	0	1	1	0	1	Emerick, cf	3	3	0	0	1
Miles, cf	0	0	0	0	0	Kerlin, lf	1	2	0	0	0
Haffer, p	0	1	3	3	1	Auman, rf	2	1	0	0	0
Smith, C., ss	1	1	0	0	1
							16	14	27	14	2
	4	7	24	11	13						

Milesburg	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	—	4
Centre Hall	0	0	1	4	7	1	1	2	x	—	16

Two base hits, Kerlin 2, P. Bradford, W. Bradford, C. Smith. Struck out by Bradford 9, Haffer 2. Umpires, Garis and Royer.

June 10, 1916 . . . Centre Hall's future baseball stars played their first game this afternoon. The average age of the lads is 14 and they pounded the ball effectively and performed creditably in the field. Their worthy opponents were from Linden Hall and the score at the close of the game was 23-11 in favor of the home team. Newtie Crawford, Skip Smith and Harry Gross are among the locals who are destined to defend the town's reputation for high-class baseball. The line-up was as follows:

LINDEN HALL—McClintick, cf; Glasgow, lf; Raymond, rf; P. Noll, 3b; D. Noll, 1b; Ishler, ss; Klinger, 2b; Searson, c; Ralston, p.

CENTRE HALL—Keller, lf; Smith, 2b; Crawford, 1b; Frank, 3b; Gross, p; Lucas, lf; Henney, c; Gferer, ss; Bitner, rf.

August 25, 1921 . . . Two good innings for Centre Hall were sufficient to down the strong Spring Mills baseball team this afternoon on the occasion of the Community picnic held at Spring Mills. It was definitely "Crawford Day" for Centre Hall. The effective pitching of "Newtie" who allowed but one hit and "Abe" - who pounded out a double and triple, the latter coming with two on bases. Following is the box score:

SPRING MILLS	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Anderson, lf	0	0	0	0	0	N. Crawford, p	0	0	2	4	0
Catherman, rf	1	0	0	0	0	Knarr, 2b	1	2	0	1	0
G. Corman, 3b	0	0	2	2	0	Frank, c	0	2	10	1	0
Goodhart, c	0	0	11	3	0	Keller, lf	0	0	0	0	1
Osman, 1b	0	0	11	0	0	Gross, 3b	2	2	1	3	1
J. Corman, ss	0	0	0	4	1	Foust, 1b	2	1	9	0	0
Hosterman, 2b	0	0	1	0	0	A. Crawford, cf	1	2	2	0	0

Meyer, cf	0	0	0	0	0	Ralston, rf	0	1	2	0	0
Stover, cf	0	1	0	0	0	H. Eemery, ss	0	0	1	3	1
Cramley, p	0	0	2	5	0						
Totals	1	1	27	14	1		6	10	27	12	3

Centre Hall	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Spring Mills	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

Two base hit, A. Crawford; three base hit, A. Crawford; Struck out by Gramley 11, by Crawford 9. Umpires: Sinkabine and Kerlin. Scorers: Catherman and Mitterling.

May 3, 1922 . . . Pitching unbeatable ball, Harry Gross, with the aid of his team mates, defeated the strong State College high school team this afternoon on Grange Park. It was a battle royal, going ten innings, with Gross putting up the delightful exhibition of striking out State's three best hitters in the extra inning while Centre Hall came through in their half with three solid singles to win the game.

"Slugger" Keller, by the way, who handled the first base position for State is none other than our own Harold, - known hereabouts amongst his friends and associates as "Pete".

A very unusual feature of this game, as will be noted in box score below, is the fact that all of Centre Hall's "outs" were shared by the catcher, first and second basemen.

STATE COLLEGE H. S.	R	H	O	A	E	CENTRE HAL H. S.	R	H	O	A	E
Minnich, rf	0	0	2	0	1	H. Emery, 3b	1	2	0	1	1
Rush, ss	1	0	0	0	2	Fetterolf, lf	3	3	0	0	1
Sarson, lf	2	1	3	0	0	A. Emery, 2b	2	2	2	1	1
Campbell, cf-p	2	2	0	0	0	Faust, c	1	1	19	0	0
Keller 1b	0	2	10	0	0	Crawford, 1b	1	2	9	1	0
Light, 3b	1	1	2	2	0	Musser, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Hollobaugh, 2b	0	0	4	2	1	Snyder, cf	0	1	0	0	0
Lonberger, c	1	1	7	0	0	Gross, p	0	0	0	6	0
Galbraith, p	0	0	0	4	0	Durst, ss	0	0	0	0	0
Pierce, p	0	0	0	4	0	Sweeney, ss	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	7	7	28	12	4	Totals	8	11	30	9	3
State College	1	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	7
Centre Hall	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	8

Two base hits, Faust and Keller; Three base hits, Sarson, Keller, Campbell, A. Emery; Home run Crawford. Struck out by Gross, 18; by State pitchers, 6. Umpire, Knarr.

August 31, 1927 . . . Baseball history was made today, on Grange Park, before a huge crowd of persons attending the encampment and fair. Grass Flat, one of Clearfield County's best

teams, and Centre Hall struggled for nineteen (19) innings to a 1-1 tie. It was a struggle never to be forgotten. The Grass Flat aggregation was the smoothest and cleanest lot of ball tossers ever to step on a local diamond. Their reputation for baseball excellence is known far and wide. They came here to win, and win easily. They might have done it, but they faced the smoothest-working Centre Hall nine in years and, by the way, a strictly "home-made" team, - not an outsider in it!

Both Cable and Lawrence went the entire 19 innings. Never did either show the slightest sign of weakening, neither issued a base on balls.

Centre Hall's defense work was a thing of beauty. Goodhart at 3rd and Martz at short cut down hits, the pair delivering fifteen assists to first. At the initial corner "Newtie" Crawford hung up a record, too, - 29 put-outs without an error. "Newtie" scooped 'em out of the dirt and pulled 'em out of the air—it was all the same. Keller, in left field, retired the side in the 16th by capturing three fly balls. Albert Emery, in center field, saved the day in several instances by making star catches. In fact the entire team never played a better brand of ball.

While Centre Hall had but two errors and Grass Flat four, both runs scored were as result of errors, hence there were no earned runs.

Inning by inning, play by play, everyone was looking for the "break" that would bring a well-earned victory to one team or the other, but the "break" never came. At the close of the 18th inning, a conference between players and the umpire, Edw. "Doak" Keichline, resulted in the decision to call it a day at the end of the 19th, - win, lose or draw. It ended a draw!

It is interesting to note, too, from the following box score, that there was but one substitution made on each team throughout the entire game:

GRASS FLAT	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
B. Force, 2b	0	3	8	4	0	Goodhart, 3b	1	3	1	6	1
Valmont, c	0	0	16	1	0	Martz, ss	0	0	2	9	1
E. Force, lf	1	0	3	0	0	Stover, c	0	0	13	1	0
Lawrence, p	0	2	2	2	0	Crawford, 1b	0	1	29	0	0
Petro, rf	0	2	3	0	0	Cable, p	0	1	1	8	0
Johnson, 1b	0	3	15	0	0	Keller, lf	0	3	4	1	0
Bugash, cf	0	1	4	0	0	Gross, H., 2b	0	3	2	2	0

Bamat, 3b	0	0	2	4	1	Emery, A., cf	0	1	4	0	0
Warner, ss	0	0	4	4	2	Reiber, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Forest, ss	0	0	0	0	1	Fetterolf, rf	0	1	1	0	0
Totals	1	11	57	15	4	Totals	1	13	57	27	2

Score by innings:

Grass Flat: 0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1
Centre Hall: 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1

Struck out by Cable, 14; by Lawrence, 13.

The above game started promptly at 2:30 p. m. and was brought to a close as the sun was slowly sinking behind Old Nittany. Many farmers who reluctantly left the game to go home for the purpose of taking care of the evening "chores", returned to the Encampment grounds in time to witness the final innings. What a game!—What a game!!

September 19, 1931 . . . CENTRE HALL WINS CENTRE CO. CHAMPIONSHIP!—At mid season our boys finished in a tie with Coburn which necessitated a 3-game play-off to determine the winners of the first half. Both teams had won 11 of the 15 games. In the play-off Centre Hall won the first game, Martz pitching for Centre Hall, Cable for the Coburn-Millheim team. The second game was lost by the locals, 8-3, Martz and Cable again doing mound duty. The third game with Martz and Cable again attempting to twirl their respective teams to victory, ended in a 7-inning deadlock, 8-8.

The fourth and final game was played at Hecla Park, Monday evening, August 18, 1931. Again Martz and Cable were pitted against each other, Centre Hall came through victorious by the score of 6-3.

During this little series, the regular second-half league schedule was being played, Bellefonte winning the second half with but a one-game lead over Centre Hall.

The 5-game "Little World's Series" got under way September 10 with a 11-9 victory, on the home grounds, for Centre Hall. Gross and Durst pitching for Centre Hall, Montgomery, Thomas and Weber throwing for the County Seatlers.

The second and third games were lost, 12-2 and 2-1.

The fourth game, played at Bellefonte, was captured by Centre Hall 13-9, Paul Martz pitching for C. H., Weber and Brown for Bellefonte.

With the series tied up at two games each, the final game was played at Hecla Park, Saturday afternoon, September 18th. Centre Hall was leading 3 to 1 in the 8th inning. Paul Martz, who was pitching in his usual excellent form, was forced to retire from the

game in this inning due to injuries received immediately following his slide into second base. The unfortunate incident had the effect of upsetting the nerves of the Centre Hall players with the result that, at the close of the 8th., Bellefonte was leading 4 to 3.

But Centre Hall had the spirit to win when they came up for their last bats in the first half of the 9th. Anderson missed Reiber's hit through 3rd base. "Curt" stole second and scored the tying run when Frank laced out a two-bagger to right. On a succession of fly balls to the outfield and an error by Bellefonte's catcher, Frank was enabled to score what proved the winning run as Bellefonte was retired in one-two-three order. in their half of the inning. Gross, who entered the game as relief pitcher, following the injury to Martz, performed creditably. The box score:

CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	BELLEFONTE	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Crawford, 1b	1	2	7	0	0	P. Torsel, 2b	0	0	3	1	0
R. Martz, ss	0	1	3	1	1	Wheeling, rf	1	0	0	0	0
Emery, A., cf	0	2	3	0	0	Davis, 1b	0	0	5	0	0
Goodhart, 3b	1	0	1	1	1	C. Torsel, 1b	1	0	1	0	0
P. Martz, p	0	1	0	2	0	Riglin, cf	2	2	2	0	0
Gross, p	0	0	0	0	0	Watson, ss	0	1	4	3	0
Bradford, 2b	0	1	1	2	0	Confer, lf	0	2	1	0	0
Stover, c	0	1	7	1	1	Anderson, 3b	0	0	1	3	2
Reiber, lf	1	0	2	0	0	McMurtrie, 2b	0	0	5	1	0
Frank, rf	2	2	3	0	0	Weber, c	0	0	1	0	0
	—	—	—	—	—	Brown, c	0	0	3	0	1
Totals	5	10	27	7	3	Deibler, p	0	0	0	1	0
						G. Brown, p	0	0	1	1	0
						*Weaver	0	0	0	0	0
							—	—	—	—	—
						Totals	4	5	27	10	3

*Batted for G. Brown in 9th.

The teams comprising the Centre County league are: Centre Hall, Bellefonte, Pleasant Gap, Coburn-Millheim, Rebersburg and Lamar. These teams finished the second half of the schedule in the order listed above.

August 27, 1936 . . . The Centre Hall Baseball Club again Champions! This year, although the season was divided into halves, the first ending July 4th; the second today, there will be no championship "play-off" due to Centre Hall finishing in top place in both halves.

Since our lads brought home a championship in 1931, the Tri-Valley League has been formed, of which league our team is a member. The teams, and their standings at close of first and second halves of the season were:



FIRST HALF	Won	Lost	Perct.	SECOND HALF	Won	Lost	Perct.
Centre Hall	13	2	.867	Centre Hall	13	2	.867
Rebersburg	9	5	.643	Lemont	9	6	.600
Pleasant Gap	8	6	.571	Rebersburg	8	7	.533
Pine Grove Mills	6	9	.400	Pleasant Gap	7	8	.466
Lemont	5	10	.333	Spring Mills	6	9	.400
Spring Mills	3	12	.200	Pine Grove Mills	2	13	.133

While there were no really spectacular games throughout the season to record, it must be remembered that the Centre Hall aggregation played consistently good ball under the management of pitcher, J. Harold Durst. The fact that our team won 26 of the 30 games played is, in itself, evidence.

ON PAGE 289 WE PRESENT CENTRE HALL'S "CHAMPS"—1931

From left to right—back row: Geo. Vogt, utility; Harry Gross, pitcher; John Riter, utility; W. F. Macmorran, manager; Earnest Frank, utility; Harold Durst, fielder and pitcher; Bruce Knarr, utility.

Middle row: George Goodhart, 3rd base; George Rimmey, catcher; George Lutz, pitcher; Curtis Reiber, left field; Albert Emery, center field; Ralph Martz, short stop; Russell Slack, utility.

Front row: George Stover, Treasurer; Wilbur Stover, catcher; Paul Martz, pitcher; Paul Fetterolf, fielder; Newton Crawford, first base; John Knarr, utility; Harold Bradford, second base; Frank Gross, official scorer; "Johnny" Knarr, Mascot.

September 9, 1936 . . . Unquestionably the most spectacular game of the year was the post-season match with the strong Millheim team of the Centre County league which was played this afternoon on the Millheim diamond. Speculation was rife throughout the season as to how the local club would stack up against the reputedly stronger clubs of the Centre County League. Today's game gave proof that the locals would have given a good account of themselves in the veteran organization. Both clubs were minus one of the star hitters—Knarr of Centre Hall. Spigelmyer of Millheim. Ten innings were required to determine the winner. The box score:

CENTRE HALL	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.	MILLHEIM	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Packer, rf	1	0	2	0	0	R. Brown, 1b	0	1	15	0	0
Crawford, ss	0	1	3	2	1	A. Evans, lf	1	1	2	0	0
Goodhart, 3b	2	3	0	2	0	Wagner, ss	0	0	2	2	2
C. Walker, cf	2	1	2	0	0	Aumiller, p	4	5	0	6	0
Stover, 2b	1	2	0	0	0	Bierly, 3b	1	2	0	0	0
Breon, c	2	2	9	0	1	Tyson, c	1	1	7	0	0

Jamison, lf	0	1	4	0	0	M. Brown, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Lutz, 1b	0	1	9	0	0	L. Evans, 2b	0	1	3	4	1
Durst, p	0	2	1	3	0	McCloskey, cf	0	1	0	0	1
Totals	8	13	30	7	2	Totals	7	12	30	12	4

October 1, 1936 . . . Managers of the Tri-Valley league, in co-operation with George A. Scott, Centre Daily Times sports editor, have named the first all-star Tri-Valley League team. Centre Hall is proud to find, on this team, the following locals: Pitchers: Harold Durst and Roy Jamison; Second Base: Newton Crawford; Left Field: Bruce Knarr; Honorable mention: Wilbur Stover, Geo. Goodhart. Crawford leads the locals with a batting percentage of .377; Jamison, .316 and Knarr, .304.

Durst and Jamison led the league pitchers for the season, Durst winning 13 and losing one for the best record of the league, while Jamison won 12 and lost two. Jamison led the league in strike-outs.

Other members of the team whose names have not been mentioned, but who figured in the unusual success of the team are: Fetterolf, Emery, Gross, Spyker, Bradford, Rickert, Martz, Hartley.

September 24, 1938 . . . It's getting to be a habit! Centre Hall again Champs!! Centre Hall, winners of the second half, defeated Pleasant Gap, winners of the first half of the season, on the local diamond this afternoon, 12-10, in a 10-inning game.

After losing the first and second games of a best-out-of-five series, Centre Hall players drew up their belts, oiled their gloves and put their batting eyes to work with the result that they took three straight and the championship.

The strain of a hard fight to win the second half, plus the tension under which the Centre Hall team was playing in their effort to overcome the 2-game lead in the series, most noticeably caused the development of "jitters" in this final game. While our boys hit well, they appeared to be trying to keep the error column on an even basis with their hits.

After the Gap tied the score in the 9th, Centre Hall, coming up first in the 10th inning, went to work with a vengeance and literally batted itself to victory, scoring five runs, which looked like plenty. Pleasant Gap came up with do-or-die spirit and put three runs over with a display of aggressiveness to match that of their rivals. Thus closed a struggle worthy of champions, - a struggle between two teams of excellent ball players, - and clean sportsmen. The box score:

PLEASANT GAP					CENTRE HALL						
	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.		R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
R. Spicher, lf	0	0	0	0	0	Knarr, cf	3	4	4	0	0
R. Martz, 2b	0	0	3	1	0	Crawford, 2b	3	4	1	3	0
Whitehill, rf-p	2	2	3	1	0	Goodhart, 3b	1	2	0	3	2
Derr, c-1b-cf	2	1	5	0	0	Durst, rf	1	2	2	0	1

Herman, 1b-ss	2	2	6	2	0	Jamison, 1b	1	1	9	0	4
Bilger, 3b	0	0	2	3	0	Emery, lf	1	1	0	0	1
White, ss-p	1	2	1	2	1	G. Martz, ss	0	0	1	0	0
Reigh, cf	0	0	1	0	0	P. Martz, p	2	1	1	1	0
E. Spicher, p	0	0	0	0	0	Rimmey, c	0	0	1	0	0
Benford, rf	1	1	1	0	0		—	—	—	—	—
Zeleznick, c	2	1	8	0	1		12	16	30	8	8
	—	—	—	—	—						
Totals	10	9	30	9	2						

Centre Hall	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	5	—12
Pleasant Gap	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	2	3	—10

Two base hits, Herman, Knarr; Three base hits, Herman, Knarr, Goodhart, Durst, Crawford. Struck out by Spicher, 2; by White, 1; by Whitehill, 7; by Martz, 11.

There has been little change on the Centre Hall roster, during the past two years, with the exception of the addition of George Martz, who has accounted well, as a beginner. George took the mound for the first time on August 25 and pitched his team into the second-half championship by defeating Lemont, 11 to 2.

September 12, 1939 . . . What! Again? Centre Hall Wins Tri-Valley Championship! Winning 12 of the 15 games in the second half gave the Centre Hall team the opportunity to again cross bats with their worthy rivals from across Mount Nittany, - Pleasant Gap. By winning three of four games played in the "Little World's Series" with the Gap, Centre Hall again has been crowned Champs. All games were well played and scores reasonably close. In the third game youthful George Martz pitched a 5-hit game while his team mates were taking to E. Spicher's deliveries for 13 safe hits, Manager Fetterolf collecting three, one a three-bagger, and Goodhart, Rimmey, P. Martz, Knarr and Stover a pair each, Goodhart having a 3-bagger.

July 24, 1941 . . . Since 1938 quite a few changes have taken place in the Centre Hall line-up. The team that had been playing winning ball, constantly, has been somewhat broken up. The team, for the past several years had been dubbed "Centre Hall's Nine Old Men" and it seems a number have appreciated the necessity of developing younger blood and have turned in their uniforms.

Jamison retired for no particular reason except to assist his good wife in bringing up daughter "Kate" in the proper manner; Rimmey, "fat and forty", insists upon devoting every hour to his business; and there's Stover, Packer, Lutz, Emery and Frank who, after long last, have been awarded for their outstanding ability as ball players by being given life-contracts on the Centre Hall Softball team.

George Goodhart, who handled the 'hot spot' at third for so many years, declares that there are too few hours in a day to farm, fish and play ball—so George farms and fishes.

Harold Bradford, Paul Martz, Harold Durst, Newton Crawford, - still playing - and playing well. The younger members - a number playing this year for their first on the town team - promise to develop into the dependable type of ballplayers for which our town has long been noted.

Paul Fetterolf, - old, reliable "Lucky Pooley", is now stationed in the Post Office at the Indiantown Gap Army Military Reservation, and he is, therefore, unable to appear regularly in baseball uniform.

Ken Frank, who has been with the team for the past number of years, continues to appear, occasionally, and always performs well in the catching position.

Bruce Knarr, - hard slugging outfielder, is with us on rare occasions but continues to prompt the opposing outfielders to move back towards the fence when they see him stepping to the plate.

We cannot refrain from giving due credit to "Newtie" Crawford, whose nickname, for some unknown reason, has changed to "Doc". Old reliable Newton S. Crawford is playing his twenty-sixth consecutive year (note his entry in the line-up June 10, 1916) and right now if a hit is needed, - or a base or two should be stolen, - "Doc" is quite willing to oblige. One of Newton's old tricks is to take a better-than-average lead off first base and get going on the first indication of the pitcher's wind-up. In a very recent game the visiting pitcher, realizing "Doc" had his usually long lead off first, snapped the ball to the initial bag in an effort to catch our elusive base runner "napping". Not being particularly anxious to stick around first, Mr. Crawford streaked to second and beat the first baseman's throw by a foot.

The present Tri-Valley league has ten teams and their present positions are as follows: Millheim, Pine Grove Mills, Bellefonte, Pleasant Gap, Boalsburg, Centre Hall, Lemont, Spring Mills, Rebersburg and Milesburg.

Milheim, the leaders, have won 22 and lost 5; Centre Hall has won 12, lost 15.

The old method of splitting the season in halves with a play-off between first and second half winners has been abandoned in favor of the "Shaughnessy" method of a series of eliminations at the close of the season, between the first, second, third and fourth position teams.

The following 7-inning twilight game was played this evening at Rebersburg. You will notice the line-up contains quite a few new names, - names that will undoubtedly appear in years to come as "regulars". Others who have played this season, not shown in the following box score are John Wert, Jr., Dean Bradford and Ralph Arney.

CENTRE HALL						REBERSBURG					
	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.		R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
E. Frank, Jr., 2b	0	1	0	1	0	Boone, lf	0	0	0	1	0
H. Bradford, cf	2	0	0	0	0	Miller, 3b	0	0	2	1	0
J. Knarr, Jr., c	2	2	7	2	0	Tate, ss	0	1	0	2	1
P. Martz, p	2	3	0	1	1	Heck, 1b	0	0	10	8	0
G. Ralston, ss	2	4	3	2	0	Beckenbaugh, c	0	2	4	0	0
N. Crawford, 1b	1	2	8	0	0	Brungart, rf	1	1	2	0	0
T. Bradford, rf	1	1	0	0	0	Hazel, cf	0	0	2	0	1
E. Harter, 3b	0	0	3	3	1	H. Grieb, 2b	0	1	0	4	0
W. Bradford, lf	1	1	0	0	1	Weber, p	0	0	1	0	0
	—	—	—	—	—	Welshans, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	14	21	9	3	Totals	1	5	21	17	2

Centre Hall	1	0	2	1	3	4	0	—	11
Rebersburg	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—	1

Two base hit, Beckenbaugh. Stolen bases, W. Bradford 3, Frank 2, Ralston, Crawford, Brungart 2. Struck out by Martz 5, by Weber 1, by Welshans 2.

And with this we close our brief review of Centre Hall's baseball activities. As previously stated we have space only for a few of the hundreds of games that have been played on the home field and on the fields of our neighbors.

Then, too, we attempted to reprint only games that it will be a joy for local fans to remember for indeed there were games lost by overwhelming odds; games lost both by errors of commission and errors of omission. And again there were games aplenty lost as is described in Ernest Lawrence Thayers famous poem, which we reproduce here:

CASEY AT THE BAT

The outlook wasn't brilliant for the Mudville nine that day;
The score stood four to two with but one inning more to play.
And, then, when Cooney died at first, and Barrows did the same,
A sickly silence fell upon the patrons of the game.

A straggling few got up to go in deep despair. The rest
Clung to the hope which springs eternal in the human breast;
They thought if only Casey could get a whack at that—
We'd bet even money now with Casey at the bat.

But Flynn preceded Casey, as did also Jimmy Blake,
And the former was a lulu, and the latter was a cake;
So, upon that stricken multitude grim melancholy sat,
For there seemed but little chance of Casey's getting to the bat.

But Flynn let drive a single, to the wonderment of all,
And Blake, the much despised, tore the cover off the ball.
And when the dust had lifted, and the men saw what occurred,
There was Jimmie safe at second, and Flynn a-hugging third.

Then, from 5000 throats and more, there rose a lusty yell;
It rumbled through the valley; it rattled in the dell;
It knocked upon the mountains, and recoiled upon the flat,
For Casey, mighty Casey, was advancing to the bat.

There was ease in Casey's manner as he stepped into his place;
There was pride in Casey's bearing, and a smile on Casey's face.
And, then, responding to the cheers, he lightly doffed his hat.
No stranger in the crowd could doubt 'twas Casey at the bat.

Ten thousand eyes were on him as he rubbed his hands with dirt;
Five thousand tongues applauded when he wiped them on his shirt.
Then, while the writhing pitcher ground the ball into his hip,
Defiance gleamed in Casey's eye, a sneer curled Casey's lip.

And now the leather-covered sphere came hurtling through the air,
And Casey stood a-watching it in haughty grandeur there.
Close by the sturdy batsman the ball unheeded sped—
"That ain't my style," said Casey. "Strike one!" the umpire said.

From the bleachers, black with people, there went up a muffled roar,
Like the beating of the storm-waves on a stern and distant shore.
"Kill him! Kill the umpire!" shouted someone in the stand;
And it's likely they'd have killed him had not Casey raised his hand.

With a smile of Christian charity great Casey's visage shone;
He stilled the rising tumult; he bade the game go on;
He signaled to the pitcher, and once more the spheroid flew;
But Casey still ignored it, and the umpire said: "Strike two!"

"Fraud!" cried the maddened thousands, and the echo answered "Fraud!"
But one scornful look from Casey, and the audience was awed.
They saw his face grow stern and cold, they saw his muscles strain,
And they knew that Casey wouldn't let that ball go by again.

The sneer is gone from Casey's lips, his teeth are clenched in hate;
He pounds with cruel violence his bat upon the plate.
And now the pitcher holds the ball, and now he lets it go,
And now the air is shattered by the force of Casey's blow . . .

Oh! Somewhere in this favored land the sun is shining bright;
The band is playing somewhere and somewhere hearts are light,
And somewhere men are laughing, and somewhere children shout;
But there is no joy in Mudville—mighty Casey has struck out.

HUNTING — FISHING

Centre Hall is situated in the midst of the Hunter's and Fisherman's Paradise.

The County's streams are well stocked, annually, with trout by the Pennsylvania State Fish Commission. Majority of these are of legal size (6 inches or over) and are hatched and reared at the Pleasant Gap Fish Hatchery.

Wild game is usually abundant and thousands of hunters roam the fields, woods and mountains, each autumn, in quest of birds, rabbits, squirrel, deer and bear.

Dozens of hunting cabins are erected in the mountains by hunting parties who frequently enjoy week-ends during the summers and, of course, make their headquarters in these cabins during the hunting season in the fall.

The Bradford Hunting Club has the distinction of being the oldest organization of this character in this part of the state. For the following history of the club, we are indebted to W. Frank Bradford, a charter member:

The Bradford Hunting Club was organized in 1878, charter members were:

Emanuel Fye
J. C. Kuhn
Wm. H. Meyer
James Poorman

William Bradford
George W. Bradford
Charles H. Bradford
W. Frank Bradford

The first log cabin was built in the fall of 1878 at what was then known as the "Point of the Laurel", in the Bear Meadows (Seven Mountains.).

In 1881 the cabin was destroyed by fire but the party continued to hunt, each fall, in the Bear Meadows territory until the fall of 1885 when they started camping at Stone Creek. The Bradford Hunting Club continued to camp in this territory, in tents, until 1917 when their present substantial and attractive cabin and camp were erected in the section of the Seven Mountains known as the "Pole Bridge". There was a reorganization of the Club in 1917, with the following membership:

Bradford, Geo. W.
Bradford, Clyde
Bradford, Philip
Bradford, Paul
Homan, Wm. H.
Krape, Alfred P.
Meeker, Lawrence
Bradford, W. Frank
Bradford, Chas. H.
Bradford, William
Dutrow, Clyde

Harshbarger, Guy
Meeker, Maynard
Smith, J. Frank
Spicher, Korman
Bradford, J. William
Bradford, Albert
Bradford, Carl
Blackford, Perce
Knarr, John H.
Meeker, Bruce
Sinkabine, William

THE WOMAN'S CLUB OF CENTRE HALL, PA.

Twenty-one ladies organized a Woman's Club at a meeting held Wednesday evening, April 6, 1938, at the home of Mrs. J. S. Boozer. Officers elected were: Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, President; Mrs. E. W. Miller, Vice-Pres.; Miss Elizabeth Bartholomew, Secretary; Mrs. Fred Homan, Treas. Members at large: Mrs. Fred Priest and

Mrs. J. W. Bradford. Mrs. Ward, County president and Mrs. Hutchinson, County chairman were advisors at the organization meeting . . . Other members are: Mrs. W: A. Homan, Mrs: David I. Graybill, Miss Carribell Emerick, Mrs. J. S. Boozer, Mrs. Clara Vonada, Mrs. Margaret Blauser, Mrs. Jane Heckman, Mrs. J. F. Wetzel, Mrs. G. H. Stover, Mrs. R. H. White, Mrs. W. W. Kerlin, Miss Doris Moltz, Mrs. G. O. Benner, Mrs. W. H. Potter, Mrs. C. H. Light.

The Club was Federated April 21, 1938.

For the present year (June 1940 - June 1941) the following information is of interest: President: Mrs. Edgar Miller; Vice-Pres.: Miss Elizabeth Bartholomew; Secretary: Mrs. Harold Durst; Treasurer: Mrs. J. S. Boozer. Members-at-Large: Mrs. D. C. Mitterling, Mrs. Donald Shope.

The membership consists of the following:

* Mrs. Annie Bartholomew	Mrs. Fred Luse
* Miss Elizabeth Bartholomew	Mrs. Geo. Lutz
* Mrs. G. O. Benner	* Mrs. C. H. Light
* Mrs. John Blauser	Mrs. D. C. Mitterling
* Mrs. J. S. Boozer	* Mrs. Edgar Miller
* Mrs. C. W. Boozer	* Mrs. C. A. Miller
* Mrs. J. W. Bradford	* Miss Doris Moltz
Mrs. R. S. Brooks	Mrs. Paul Martz
* Mrs. E. E. Bailey	* Miss Helen Odenkirk
Mrs. D. B. Bloom	Mrs. Clarence Otto
Mrs. J. M. Coldron	Mrs. Dora Odenkirk
Mrs. W. P. Campbell	* Mrs. W. H. Potter
Mrs. D. S. Daup	Mrs. Reuben Rickert
Mrs. Harold Durst	* Mrs. George Rimmey
* Miss Carribell Emerick	* Mrs. Sidney Riegel
Mrs. Albert Emery	Mrs. Alfred Reish
* Mrs. Paul Fetterolf	Miss Bertha Sharer
Mrs. F. M. Fisher	* Mrs. George Stover
Miss Ida Frazier	Mrs. George Sweeney
* Mrs. David Graybill	Mrs. C. A. Spyker
* Mrs. F. D. Goodhart	Mrs. D. R. Shope
* Mrs. F. V. Goodhart	Mrs. Chas. Slonaker
Mrs. F. P. Geary	Mrs. Robert Spencer
Mrs. C. H. Homan	Mrs. Lovan Smith
* Mrs. Fred Homan	Miss Jennie Thomas
* Mrs. George Heckman	* Mrs. H. R. White
Mrs. Harry Harper	* Mrs. Ernest Wagner
Miss Geraldine Hoover	* Mrs. John Whiteman
Miss Esther Hastings	* Mrs. J. F. Wetzel
Mrs. Roy S. Jamison	Mrs. John Wert, Jr.
Miss Sally Kocher	Mrs. Thomas Williams
Mrs. Harry King	Mrs. Robert Wetzel

* Mrs. Henry Kimbrell
Mrs. D. R. Keener
* Mrs. W. W. Kerlin

Mrs. Stanley Wykes
Mrs. W. F. Keller
* Charter Members

Branches of the Women's Club are:

The Garden Club, organized March 24, 1938. Mrs. C. H. Light was the first President. There are now nineteen active members. They have been awarded the Sweepstake prize, for the past two years, at the Grange Fair Garden Show.

The Music Club, organized February 13, 1940. Mrs. J. F. Wetzel, President. A very splendid public recital, with guest artists, was given last fall.

The various departments of the Club and the different committees have been quite active in community service.

CENTRE HALL'S CHURCHES

Centre Hall can rightfully be termed "A City of Churches". There are five temples of worship within our borough limits, serving the citizens of the borough and those within the immediate community.

From records at hand it is quite evident that the Christian people of the community, prior to the establishment of churches, worshipped as a Union Sunday School. From an aged, but very interesting, record book we reprint the following:

CONSTITUTION OF THE MOUNT LIBERTY SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, the undersigned, committee appointed by the citizens in the vicinity of Mount Liberty School House, for to form a constitution for the Mount Liberty Sunday School, met on the evening of the thirty-first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two (1842) at the house of Christian Hoffer.

We have adopted the following articles to wit:

Article I—The officers of said school shall consist of one Superintendent, one Secretary, one Librarian and a Treasurer, and Mannegers.

Article II—All officers shall be elected yearly and shall remain in office until successors are elected.

Article III—At the election of officers the secretary shall make a report and the teachers shall report the state and progress of their respective classes.

Article IV—Any scholar, misbehaving, may be discharged at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Article V—The employment of the teachers shall be enacted by the Superintendent, who shall judge of his or her qualifications and he shall also have power to discharge any teacher for misconduct during school hours.

Article VI—If an ill report concerning a teacher or officer be in circulation, the school shall constitute an investigation, in order that justice may be done in the case; and, if, after such investigation has taken place, the accused person is found to be guilty of an offense so gross that forbearance would bring dishonour on Christianity, and be a cause of scandal to the school, then his name shall immediately be erased from the roll book.

But an accused person must have all reasonable opportunity to be heard by the school in his defense before a decision of his case takes place.

Article VII—The School shall be opened by reading a portion of scripture, singing and prayer and closed by singing and prayer.

Article VIII—Any scholar may leave his or her class, and be admitted into another, by making application to the superintendent or teacher.

Article IX—The superitendent shall open and close the school in the aforesaid manner but he shall have the liberty of substituting another in his place that will perform his duties.

Article X—The secretary shall keep the minutes and doings of the school; he shall have a roll book in which the presents and absents of the respective scholars and teachers be kept.

Article XI—The Librarian shall keep a regular account of books received or given out. He shall also perform the duties of a Treasurer and, if books are sold from the Library, he shall receive the money; he shall receive all monies and pay out the same by order of the school; he shall keep a regular account of all income and expenses.

Article XII—Each teacher shall keep a class book in which the presents and absents of each scholar be marked.

Article XIII—If a teacher of the school is absent, the superintendent shall inquire into the cause and report the said cause to the secretary, who shall record the same in the minute book.

Article XIV—It shall be the duty of the superintendent to have a strict observance over the school while in session and to see that the teachers' class books are regularly kept and that the pupils may be in their respective classes.

Article XV—It shall be the duty of the Mannegers to keep a strict observance over the school, and see that it is conducted in a manner becoming the Institution, and that it is provided with suitable books, and give them advise in all arrangements that may be made concerning the same.

Article XVI—This constitution shall not be altered, in any article, except by the vote of two-thirds of the teachers and officers.

John Hoffer

William Durst

Peter Hoffer

Committee

(Note: It is understood that the Mount Liberty School, to which reference is above given, was located on or near the former Bruss farm, now owned by Harry McClenahan, a short distance west of Centre Hall, along the Brush Valley road.)

The first meeting of this organization was held January 1, 1843 with the following notations in the record book: Present: Teachers - 3 male, 2 female; Scholars - 1 male, 6 female. Total - 21.

Pleasant weather. Commenced the school on this day, prospects good. We trust there will be a better turnout on next sabbath. By the blessing of God we will prosper, without Him we can do nothing.

Following are portions of notations found, under dates indicated, as recorded by the secretary:

March 12, 1843—Great snow drifts. School house almost inaccessible. The Librarian could not attend in consequence of indisposition.

April 2, 1843—Weather very unpropitious. Some of the large scholars' conduct during school hour was lamentably bad.

April 19, 1843—Two girls left the school on account of them fearing they would be reprimanded for their bad conduct the Sunday previous to this.

August 2, 1843—A Campmeeting is being held at the end of Nittany Mountain which will account for the absence of some of the teachers and scholars. At this time there are 9 teachers and 51 scholars enrolled.

March 31, 1844—School well attended by the female scholars but some of the male scholars and regular teachers are absent owing to some cause not known. John, William and Mary Farner left the school. Parents removed from community.

August 18, 1844—Secretary absent. He felt a deep interest in the Albright Camp Meeting therefore went to meet with them today. Had no school the Sabbath previous to this account of the Methodist's Camp Meeting at Egg Hill.

March 9, 1845—The school is in a mourning condition this morning on account of them following the corpse of a mother of some of the scholars to the place of interment on yesterday whose funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. P. S. Fischer, pastor of the German Reformed church. Text - 2 chapter of St. John the Divine "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death." It was Lydia Stover, wife of Joel Stover.

July 20, 1845—Notice the neglect of some persons who have attended the school for some time pretending to take a part as teachers but we have reason to believe it was only a formal part. We therefore erase their names for the same and hold them only as spectators.

April 5, 1846—An entire class stricken from the roll book in consequence of their very irregular attendance. "Have mercy on them, Lord."

July 26, 1846—Too many absent. O why is it? Lord have mercy on those parents who are so careless with regards to their children.

On the last pages of this book we find a listing of the various officers and heads of families as follows:

1844—Superintendent: George Sweeney; Secretary: Abraham Gingrich; Treasurer and Librarian: Peter Hoffer.

1845—Supt: George Sweeney; Secretary, Librarian and Treasurer: John Hoffer.

1846—Supt.: J. N. Hoffer; Secretary: John Lingle; Librarian and Treas.: Thos. Lingle.

1847—Supt.: George Sweeney; Librarian: John Taylor.

Record of Names of Heads of Families:

George Sweeney

Joseph Dasher

John Taylor

Frederick Stover

Christian Hoffer

William Durst

Mr. Lingles

Widow Shade

Robert S. Watson

Mr. Felmles

George Harpster

John Sweetwood

And with this we reverently close the cover of this interesting record, - now - as we write these lines - almost one hundred years old - and we proceed with the available records of Centre Hall's five churches.

REFORMED



The Reformed was the first Church to organize in Centre Hall. This took place December 11, 1853. Rev. Peter S. Fisher of Boalsburg being the minister in charge. The following officers were elected: Elder: Christian Hoffer; Deacons: John Bittner and Daniel Fauber; Trustees: William Keller and Peter Hoffer; Treasurer: George Hoffer; Secretary: John H. Keller. The charter members were:

Daniel Fauber
Christian Hoffer
Mary A. Keller
John H. Keller
Peter Hoffer
Lydia Hoffer
Mary A. Hoffer
Elizabeth Alexander
William Keller
Jacob Bittner

David Keller
Elizabeth Witmer
Margaret Witmer
Magdaline Hoffer
Mary Fauber
John Fauber
Leah Keller
Anna M. Witmer
George Hoffer

and probably Susan Swaney, John Hoffer, Susan Davis and Henry Witmer.

The church edifice was erected on what is now the north corner of the cemetery, the cornerstone having been laid June 19, 1853 and on Christmas day of the same year the building was solemnly consecrated for the special worship of the Triune God.

Sunday, September 1, 1895 the corner stone for a new Reformed church was laid and is the present handsome native brown stone church situated on the corner of Pennsylvania Avenue and Ridge street. The building committee was: Rev. S. H. Isenberg, J. A. Keller, W. B. Mingle, Henry Boozer and Simon Harper.

The congregation has built two parsonages, the one a frame building erected during the pastorate of Rev. Thomas Land - now the home and offices of Dr. H. R. White, Dentist - and the second parsonage being the present substantial and attractive structure immediately north of the church, which was built during the early pastorage of Rev. Keener.

The Reformed congregation has been served by the following Ministers:

1853-1857 Peter S. Fisher	1899-1903 Geo. W. Kerschner
1857-1878 Wm. H. Groh	1903-1911 Daniel Gress
1878-1885 Samuel M. Reeder	1911-1921 Raymond R. Jones
1885-1889 Thomas Land	1923- Delas R. Keener
1889-1899 Samuel H. Isenberg	



LUTHERAN

The Lutheran Church organized their first congregation in 1854. They worshiped in the Reformed Church for approximately nine years. A building lot was purchased July 27, 1862 and the first Lutheran Church was dedicated February 21, 1863, while Rev. F. Rauthrauff was pastor. The Rev. J. F. Williams succeeded Rauthrauff in June, 1854. During the following year St. Luke's united with the Penn's Valley Charge, and thus continues to the present day.

From 1856 to 1862 the Rev. P. P. Lane was the pastor. Although the country was plunged in the war between the States, the corner stone was laid in July 1862, shortly after Rev. W. S. Porr accepted the call to preach here. On February 12, 1863, the first funeral sermon - that of Mrs. Sarah Shannon - was delivered in the unfinished building.

Rev. G. M. Settlemyer became pastor in May 1867; and the following year Rev. J. H. Hackenberg, pastor of the Bellefonte Lutheran Church, filled the pulpit for seven months. In this same year Rev. J. P. Miller was called, and he labored here until 1875. By this time the foundation of the church was found to have been "built upon sand" necessitating razing of the building and rebuilding on the opposite side of the street, where the David K. Keller property now stands. This second Church was dedicated in 1875. This same year Rev. W. E. Fischer, just beginning his career as a minister, took charge of the congregation. On October 13, 1884

the church building was destroyed by fire (see detailed account under heading "Centre Hall's Major Fires").

The corner stone of the third Church which still dominates the square of the town was laid in July, 1885, and the building was dedicated in June, 1886.

Rev. J. M. Rearick served the charge from October, 1894 to May, 1907. The same year Rev. B. F. Beiber began a ministry here which terminated in 1911. During the time that Rev. F. W. Barry occupied the pulpit (1911-1914) the church was remodeled. Rev. D. S. Kurtz was called in 1914 and was in charge until 1919. Rev. M. C. Drumm accepted the call in 1920 and labored here until 1924, when Rev. S. F. Greenhoe filled the vacancy. He ministered to the charge until 1935.

Rev. L. Arthur Wagner served from 1935 to 1939. In 1940 the present pastor, Rev. C. C. Otto, accepted the call and is serving the five congregations which constitute the Penn's Valley charge.



EVANGELICAL

The Evangelical Church had its beginning, here, about 1870. The J. O. Deininger store room was used until 1873 when a two-story frame house of worship was erected. In 1907 the present structure was erected. The following pastors have served:

1873-	R. Young and	1893-1896	C. H. Goodling
	J. M. Longsdorf	1897-1900	W. W. Rhoads
1874-	R. Young and	1901-1904	J. F. Shultz
	E. M. Beaver	1905-1908	J. R. Sechrist

1875-1876 M. Sloat
 1877-1878 W. H. Stover
 1879-1880 J. Boas
 1881-1882 George Hunter
 1883-1885 G. W. Currin
 1886-1887 J. M. King
 1888- J. L. Miller
 1889- F. S. Vought
 1890-1892 S. E. Davis

1903-1912 S. A. Snyder
 1913-1917 F. H. Foss
 1918-1919 J. A. Shultz
 1920-1924 J. F. Bingman
 1925- F. L. Huff
 1926-1932 W. E. Smith
 1933-1934 J. W. Zang
 1935- W. K. Hosterman



METHODIST

The first Methodist Church in the community was the Pennington Church, on the Bruss farm east of town along the Brush Valley road. There was no regularly established Minister, the church being served by traveling ministers, termed "circuit riders" in the early days. The present Methodist brick Church, situated on West Church street, was erected in 1875. The ministers to serve this church are as follows:

1875-78 G. W. Bouse
 1878-80 W. R. Whitney
 1880-82 J. B. Akers
 1882-84 Furman Adams
 1884-85 G. P. Sarvis
 1885-88 Isaac Hockman
 1888-91 M. I. Piper
 1891-92 E. Shoemaker
 1892-94 H. N. Minnigh
 1894-96 R. W. Illingsworth

1903-08 G. W. McIlney
 1908-13 J. Max Lantz
 1913-14 Geo. J. College
 1914-19 W. H. Williams
 1919- 1924 C. F. Catherman
 1924-25 H. H. Sherman
 1925-28 C. E. Hazen
 1928-30 H. W. Newman
 1930-33 H. A. Pruyn
 1933-38 Seth Russell

1896-99 T. S. Fans
1899-1901 E. M. Chilcote
1901-03 L. M. Hoven

1938-40 Ivan L. Miller
1940- Walter F. Glenn

As stated above the present Methodist congregation had its origin east of town, at what is known as the Pennington Church. On Memorial Day, June 23, 1909, Memorial Services were conducted at the old cemetery and from issues of the Centre Reporter we gather these interesting items:

Due to heavy rains in the morning it was decided to postpone the services until immediately after noon lunch. The general committee selected Wm. H. Bartholomew of the Methodist church to serve as presiding officer for the day, and James A. Keller, secretary. Dr. W. H. Schuyler, of the Presbyterian church, opened the exercises with prayer. The singing was conducted by the Methodist choir of Centre Hall, assisted by singers from other churches, and led by Prof. P. H. Meyer. Rev. J. Max Lants, pasor of the local Methodist church, conducted the formal opening and there were quite a number of speakers on the program, including Hon. Leonard Rhone who superintended the work of improving and beautifying the cemetery grounds.

The following historical data is reproduced from portions of a paper read at these Memorial Services by Miss Florence Rhone (now Mrs. Bayard of Tyrone):

Robert Pennington, the elder, and his wife, Rebecca Benn, with Fergus Potter, the elder, and his wife, came to this valley in 1786. The Potters settled on McKeys Run east of Linden Hall and the Penningtons settled east of Centre Hall on what are now (1909) the Geo. H. Emerick, Samuel Bruss, William Bible, Simon Harper and Jacob Sharer farms.

The Pennington and Potter families were of Scot-Irish descent, and a few years prior to this time came across the seas, when it took months to journey from the Old World to the New.

A Methodist class was soon formed, and Robert Pennington's dwelling became a station on the circuit which, in that early day, extended over what now comprises several counties and the Pennington homestead became the center of religious services in the community.

The first Methodist church, in Penn's Valley, was built in 1814 on the Pennington homestead. Rev. Ebenezer Doolittle preached the dedication sermon. Services were regularly held in this church, as near as we could ascertain, until 1854 when Robert Pennington, the younger, died and the Pennington descendants followed the tide of immigration westward.

The Methodist church at Sprucetown was an offspring of the Pennington church; the home of Rebecca Pennington, who was

married to James Sankey, becoming another preaching station on the circuit, which lead to the building of the church at Spruce-town in 1830, and the church at Centre Hall.

The old Pennington church was purchased by the Harpster brothers - Jacob and Samuel - about 1863. The structure was razed, the timbers sawed into four-inch plank and with it was constructed the dwelling houses for years occupied by the Harpsers in Centre Hall.

(Note: The houses referred to above are the present residences of Mrs. Chas. D. Bartholomew and George K. Rimmey - 1941.)



PRESBYTERIAN

The Presbyterian church, while the last of our five churches to be erected in Centre Hall, nevertheless dates back, so far as the congregation is concerned, to the early settlement days. The first church to be erected in Penn's Valley was completed in 1785, near the head of Penn's creek, about two miles from Spring Mills and was known as the East Penn's Valley church. This building was followed by erection of a more costly structure at Centre Hill, by the Sinking Creek congregation in 1793. This church was replaced in 1843 by a handsome brick edifice at a cost of some eight thousand dollars.

(Note: This church was razed in June, 1900 - see account elsewhere in this book.)

In 1888 the Sinking Creek congregation erected a very neat church in Centre Hall on the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and

Potter street, substantially constructed of brick. About ten years later a substantial and attractive Manse was erected on the lot immediately north of the church. The Ministers for this charge were as follows:

1793-95	Rev. Martin	1882-84	Rev. W. K. Foster
1795-97	Rev. Wiley	1886-89	Rev. J. H. Kerr
1801-34	Rev. Wm. Stuart	1890-93	Rev. H. C. Baskerville
1834-41	Rev. David McKinney	1897-99	Rev. F. F. Christine
1842-45	Rev. Adams	1900-15	Rev. W. H. Schuyler
1845-75	Rev. Hamill	1916-18	Rev. Josiah B. Still
1875-79	Rev. P. A. Robinson	1921-	Rev. J. M. Kirkpatrick

THE CITY OF THE DEAD

Today, as nearly as can be ascertained, slightly over twelve hundred graves represent the resting places of those of our community, and others, who have answered the call of their Maker. This quiet, peaceful "City of the Dead" was established in 1853, when the first Reformed Church was erected on the northern corner of what is now a portion of the cemetery.

September 15, 1891 these burial grounds were incorporated under the title: "The Reformed and Lutheran Cemetery Association". These men were the petitioners for the charter:

Arney, John J.
Derstine, Michael
Harper, Simon
Hosterman, Geo. W.
Kreamer, Henry W.
Kerlin, Abram S.

Lee, John T.
Murray, Jared D.
Mingle, Wm. B.
Smith, Sylvester W.
Wolf, William
Wolf, J. Witmer

Their signatures were acknowledged before Dr. John F. Alexander, Notary Public.

Most fitting Memorial Day services are held annually, attended by hundreds who gather to pay tribute to those who have gone before. Flowers are strewn upon the graves and flags are placed upon the graves of those who served their country in battle, or who were in line to do so.





The following roster represents, as nearly as we are able to ascertain, the Veterans of various wars, who have answered to the last sounding of "taps":

REVOLUTIONARY

Stiver, Michael

CIVIL WAR

Bible, William
Boal, George M.
Boozer, William K.
Brisbin, B. David
Derstine, Michael
Dubbs, Geo. H.
Durst, Alfred
Floray, Philip
Foster, James
Gregg, Andrew
Horner, John
Harper, Simon
Heinle, John
Horner, William W.
Jacobs, William A.

Knepley, Samuel H.
McEwin, Henry
Maben, William
Martz, John
Nearhood, Adam
Odenkirk, John H.
Parker, Amos
Shannon, Samuel
Shoop, William P.
Shreffler, Jerry
Sloteman, Daniel
Smetzler, James H.
Snyder, William
Stiver, William H.
Stump, Reuben

Koch, George W.
Koch, Franklin
Krise, William A.
Krumbine, Michael
McClenahan, James

Sunday, Lewis
Sweeney, George W.
VanPelt, Harvey D.
Wolf, Simon S.
Walker, Cyrus

NAPOLEONIC SOLDIER

Peterson, Charles

BOAL MACHINE GUN TROOP

Callahan, George Stewart

NAVAL CADET (West Point)

Dinges, John William

SPANISH-AMERICAN

Smith, Clyde A.

Thomas, John

MEMBER NATIONAL GUARD

Murray, Robert

WORLD WAR

Armstrong, Harry

Shunk, Melvin

The name of William Tate, a Civil War veteran who lived for many years and died in Centre Hall does not appear in this roster as he was buried elsewhere.

Likewise William H. Bartholomew, Centre Hall's last Veteran of the Civil War, was laid to rest in the Spring Mills Cemetery. Mr. Bartholomew died September 26, 1935.

CENTRE HALL'S POSTMASTERS

Prior to 1857, and until after the war, the mail was carried daily, each way, between Bellefonte and Lewistown by four-horse coaches, arriving from Bellefonte at 10 a. m., and from Lewistown at 2 p. m. The coaches carried a great many passengers, which always made Centre Hall a first class hotel stand. A daily mail from Lewisburg to Water Street, Huntingdon County, also arrived in Centre Hall in the evening and returned next morning.

During September, 1857, under the administration of James Buchanan, the post office at Old Fort was moved to Centre Hall and William Wolf was appointed postmaster. George Odenkirk, prior to removal of the office from Old Fort, had served for a number of years as postmaster. For this service Mr. Odenkirk received about \$40 a year. The first year the office was at Centre Hall, Mr. Wolfe received sixty dollars for his services as postmaster. The first quarter \$18 worth of stamps were bought and \$15 worth of these were sold to the patrons.

Mr. Wolf was postmaster from 1857 to 1869 - twelve years - during the administrations of Presidents Buchanan and Lincoln. During the first term of Pres. Grant's administration Frank Harlacher was appointed to the postmastership. Later Hon. S. S. Wolf purchased the Harlacher store, which contained the post office, and Mr. Wolf was deputized postmaster.

February 22, 1875, J. A. Reesman took charge as postmaster and moved the office to his tin shop. For ten years he served and on October 12, 1885, William Wolf again became postmaster and the office was taken to his store. Business of the office was gradually increasing with a record for the quarter ending October 1886 of \$200 worth of stamps sold and \$150 remaining on hand. Mr. Wolf was succeeded, in 1889, by B. D. Brisbin, who served until 1893.

(For the above review of the early history of Centre Hall's postmasters we are indebted to the files of the "Centre County Times", a weekly published for a year or two in Centre Hall, by T. Benton Ulrich.)

The succeeding postmasters and their terms of office are:

1893-1897 Charles Meyer
1897-1898 B. D. Brisbin
1898-1913 G. M. Boal
1913-1921 S. W. Smith
1921-1935 R. M. Smith
1935- C. W. Boozer

RECORD OF CENTRE HALL'S PROFESSIONAL MEN PHYSICIANS

A great many physicians have rendered their professional services to the citizens of Centre Hall and community. They are as follows:

1840-	James Wilson	1903	C. E. Emerick
1868-1877	Peter Smith	1905-1916	J. R. G. Allison
1858-1880	Peter Neff	1907-1910	P. H. Dale
1875-	William Runkle	1910-1914	J. V. Foster
1877-1890	W. A. Jacobs	1914-1925	H. H. Longwell
1877-1909	J. E. Alexander	1913-1932	A. G. Lieb
1893-1894	McGeehan	1916-1918	L. E. Wolf
1899-	Robison	1921-1923	G. I. Yearick
1897-1913	Geo. H. Lee	1925-1935	Hugh Morrow
1901-1910	W. E. Park	1931-	C. H. Light

DENTISTS

So far as we are able to learn, four dentists have practiced their profession in Centre Hall. They are:

1878-	James McIntire
1881-1921	G. W. Hosterman
1920-1921	Kline Musser
1929-	H. R. White

DRUGGISTS

The "Drug Store" has been a long established buisness. The present building was erected by Centre Hall's first druggist and all to succeed him have used the same structure in the practice of their profession. The records reveal the following:

1873-	J. K. Miller	Harry Kline, Druggist
1893-1900	Jared Murray	1915- Harry Dodson
1900-1915	Aggie Murray	1915- B. D. Brisbin
1915-1916	Dr. H. H. Longwell,	1917- Mabel Arney
	Owner	

MORTICIANS

The available record of the various Undertakers who have been established in Centre Hall is this:

Jacob Ripka is believed to have been the first and he is credited with having manufactured his own caskets. Mr. Ripka was followed, about 1877, by W. R. Camp. In 1886 we have record of the

Furniture and Undertaking establishment of McCormick Brothers, successors to Mr. Camp.

Following McCormick Brothers, we find Dauberman & Son (John Sr. and John Jr.) and in 1893 the firm name was changed to Dauberman and Goodhart account of the addition of Miller Goodhart to the firm.

Later the firm became Dauberman & Krumbine and a number of years thereafter the Junior member of the firm, John Krumbine, purchased the interest of Mr. Dauberman.

In 1904 Rearick Brothers, Leroy and Paul, purchased the business from Mr. Krumbine who, shortly thereafter, moved with his family to Vintondale. April, 1907 the Rearick Brothers partnership was dissolved, Leroy purchasing the interest of his brother.

March, 1912 Mr. Rearick sold his business to Fred J. Tibbetts of Hartland, Maine, who, in the fall of the same year returned to Maine, having sold the business to Frank V. Goodhart who has successfully conducted the furniture and undertaking business since that time.

The following is the listing of 1941 Mercantile Appraisement for Centre Hall as appeared in local County papers.

RETAIL

Arney, Mable, drugs	Hosterman, T. A., grocery
Bland, W. H. retail	Johnson, Geo. W., grocery
Bradford & Co., feed and coal	Kerlin, W. W., poultry
Brownies' Place, retail	Lingle, W. H. retail
Brooks Service Sta., gas and oil	Lingle, C. L. coal
Campbell, W. P., retail	Lutz, Geo. L., coal
Coldron, J. M., paint	McClenahan, I. C., new agt.
Coldron, Mrs. J. M. cigars, conf.	Miller Motor Co., garage
Coldron, M. E., cigars	Pud's Auto Wrecking, auto parts
Detweiler, J. H., cigars & conf.	Ramer, Charles P., gen. store
Dutrow & Delaney, potatoes	Reish, H. C., milk
Emery, H. E., gen. store	Reish, James S., retail
Franks Palace of Pleasure, candy	Riegel, S. T., live stock
Geary, J. Lee, retail	Rimmey, Geo. K., retail
Goodhart, F. V., undertaker	Rickert, Reuben S., travel store
Hagan Garage, R. S., garage	Rishell Service Sta., grocery
Henney, Mrs. Grace, hat shop	Shaffer, John R., gas and oil
Herr, Max, junk	Sharer, S. E., retail
Homan, Fred, hardware	Shaffers Dairy Store, milk

Stover, Geo. H., feed and coal	Weis Pure Food No. 75, retail
Stoner, David, produce	Wilson, L. R., grocery
Vogt Motor Co., garage	

RESTAURANTS

Brown's Place	Reish, James
Coldron, Mrs. J. M.	Rishel Service Station
Coldron, M. E.	Shaffers Dairy Store

WHOLESALE

Bradford & Co., feed and coal	Stover, Geo. H., feed and coal
Goodhart, J. C., produce	Coldron, Mrs. J. M., billiards
Kerlin, W. W., eggs	Coldron, M. C., pin ball
Miller, Chas. M., wholesale	Franks Palace of Pleasure, bill-
Riegel, S. T., live stock	iards
Reish, H. C., wholesale	

A RECORD OF CENTRE HALL'S POPULATION

As indicated previously in this book, Centre Hall became a borough in 1885. The earliest available census figures are for the year 1880 when the census for Potter township and the village of Centre Hall was taken by Ellis B. Hosterman with Centre Hall being credited with a population of 350. For 1890 no record seems available as to who "counted noses" but the count stood at 411. In 1900, Calvin G. Spicher was the enumerator and the population of our little town had increased to 537.

Edward E. Bailey was the official in 1910 who found, after a complete coverage of the town, that there were an even 500. In 1920, William W. Kerlin found the population had increased to 525, but still twelve less than in 1900. The 1930 census, however, which was taken by G. Frank Smith, revealed an increased population to 658, an increase of one hundred thirty-three for the ten-year period. An additional increase of eighty was found in 1940, when Mrs. Lester Garbrick reported the borough's population to be 738.

A comparison of the 1930-1940 census figures for the eleven boroughs in Centre County may be of interest:

	1930	1940
State College	4,450	6,226
Bellefonte	4,804	5,304
Philipsburg	3,600	3,963
Centre Hall	658	738
Howard	664	726
Milesburg	508	671

Millheim	659	682
Port Matilda	508	646
Snow Shoe	520	578
South Philipsburg	480	527
Unionville	304	321

Centre County's population, for 1940, is given as 52,608.

THE SCHOOLS OF CENTRE HALL BOROUGH AND POTTER TOWNSHIP

We present, here, a complete list of the faculty and students in the Centre Hall-Potter High School and the grade schools in Centre Hall and Potter Township, as of the 1940-1941 term. We are indebted to Prof. J. F. Wetzel, Supervising Principal, for this information

CENTRE HALL-POTTER HIGH SCHOOL

Faculty

- J. F. Wetzel, Supervising Principal
 Graduate Bloomsburg Teachers College
 Susquehanna University
 Masters Degree Susquehanna University
 Advanced Work Penn State College
- James A. Myers, Assistant Principal - Phys. Ed. & Social Studies
 Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College
 Advanced Work at Penn State College
- David I. Graybill - Science and Math
 Graduate Susquehanna University
 Advanced Work at Penn State College
- Sara L. Kocher - Latin and Social Studies
 Graduate Penn State College
- Charles D. Slonaker - English and Biology
 Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College
- Donald R. Shope - Music
 Graduate Lebanon Valley College

Freshman Class

Bradford, Paul	14	Hartley, Eugene	14
Brouse, John	13	Lingle, Vinton	14
Burris, Junior	15	Noll, Harry	16
Faust, Warren	13	Reese, William	14
Gross, Ardell	14	Ross, Donald	12



Above: Side entrance.



Above: Front entrance.



CENTRE HALL-POTTER HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
Above: View taken from west of building.

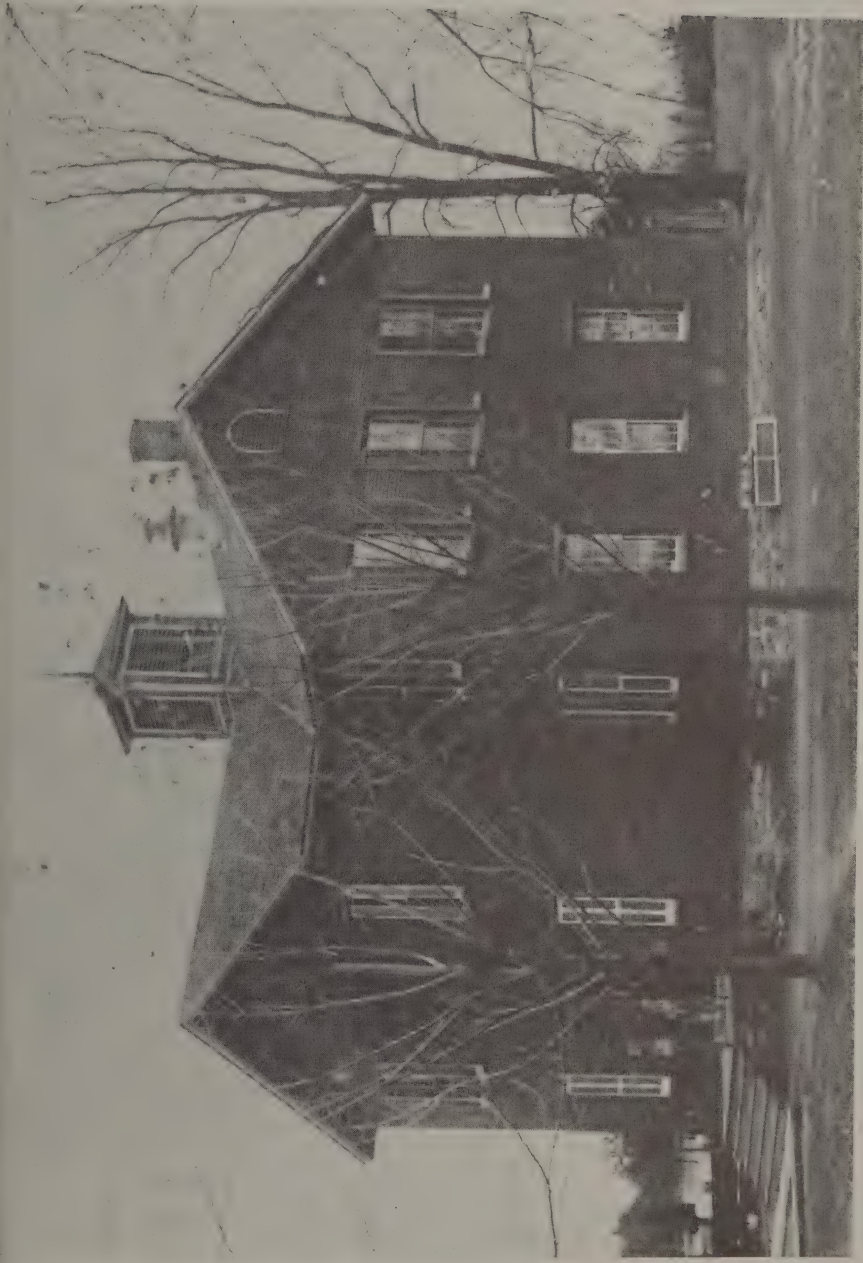


Photo by W. W. Kerlin

CENTRE HALL GRADE SCHOOL BUILDING

In recent years the "old red school house" has been modernized including fire escape, inside toilets, running hot and cold water, electric lights and hot water heating system. If you, dear reader, happen to be one of the old-timers: Remember how we used to run to the lower end of the cemetery for a drink: huddle around the hot-air registers in cold winter days? — Ah yes, and the two little red buildings to the rear of the school house are gone!

Wyland, John		McClenahan, Lois	15
Bartholomew, Jean	15	Miller, Alta	13
Blazer, Esther	13	Neff, Minerva	15
Bradford, Beulah	14	Noll, Frances	14
Confer, Mary	15	Rimmey, Edna	14
Goodhart, Adeline	12	Ross, Lois	14
Grove, Phyllis	14	Royer, Evelyn	13
Hanna, Fern	13	Wilkins, Helen	16
Horner, Alma	16		

Sophomore Class

Bloom, Robert	14	Emery, Isabelle	15
Boozer, C. William	14	Faust, Relda	15
Brouse, Donald	15	Goodhart, Glenwyn	14
Faust, Guy	15	Hackett, Ruth	14
Frank, Ernest	15	Hanna, Jean	15
Fye, Marlin	15	Holderman, Melissa	15
Garbrick, Lewis	14	King, Sara	14
King, Miles	16	Meeker, Edith	15
Puff, Robert	14	Miller, Helen	16
Puff, William	16	Mowery, Martha	15
Ralston, George	13	Neff, Frances	14
Reigel, Jack	16	Potter, Barbara	14
Rimmey, John	14	Rockey, Geraldine	15
Ross, Dean	14	Searson, Betty	15
Ross, Robert	15	Slack, Betty	14
Runkle, John	16	Smith, Betty Grace	16
Weaver, Dean	15	Smith, Mary Ann	14
Whitman, Eldon	15	Sryker, Martha	15
Zimmerman, Lewis	18	Stover, Anna Faye	13
Bradford, Joyce	15	Wagner, June	14
Brooks, LaRue	14		

Junior Class

Arney, Robert	16	Boozer, Patricia	15
Brooks, William	17	Blazer, Eunice	16
Dutrow, Albert	16	Brooks, Miriam	15
Dutrow, Melvin	17	DeLaney, Mary	16
Frazier, Kenneth	15	Dutrow, Evelyn	16
Ishler, Glenn	16	Dutrow, Hazel	16
Knarr, John	18	Emerick, Marie	17
Moyer, Bruce	16	Faust, Alberta	17
Miller, Lynn	16	Faust, Ruth	16
Neff, Charles	16	Fetterolf, Jean	15
Reish, Harold	19	Knarr, Nellie Jane	16
Rimmey, Nevin	15	Martz, Ethel	17
Michael, George	15	Meyer, Mary	16
Smith, George	15	Reish, Kathryn	15
Williams, Leo	17	Smith, Freda	15
Bradford, Ellen	16	Smith, Betty Lucille	15

Senior Class

Gerhart, James	18	Delaney, Agnes	16
Jordan, Mark	17	Homan, Lois	16
Lansberry, Ernie	17	Homan, Rosella	18
McCormick, Donald	17	Miller, Evelyn	18
Neff, Dean	16	McClenahan, Adeline	17
Reish, Dean	17	Palmer, Gayle	18
Rimmey, James	16	Rimmey, Martha	17
Rimmey, Robert	17	Ross, Emeleen	17
Runkle, Kenneth	17	Runkle, Betty	17
Smith, Paul	17	Slack, Alice	17
Treaster, Vincent	18	Smeltzer, Louise	17
Eloom, Doris	18	Smith, Jean	17

CENTRE HALL BOROUGH SCHOOLS

Helen E. White, Teacher

Graduate - Lock Haven Teacher's College

Grade 1

Bohn, Daniel	6	Auman, Fay	5
Gentzel, Eugene Jr.	6	Boozer, Eleanor	5
Lair, Eugene	6	Burris, Twila	6
Mackley, William	7	Coldron, Marlene	5
Spotts, Eugene	5	Ervin, Gloria	6
Venerick, Paul Jr.	5	Myers, Beverly	6
Weaver, Gerald	5	Vogt, Harriet	5
Williams, Thomas Jr.	5		

Grade 2

Auman, Lester	8	Snyder, LeRoy	8
Bilger, Gerald	8	Struble, Ronald	6
Brooks, Robert	7	Summers, Richard	7
Foust, Harold	7	Sweeney, William	7
Garbrick, Lester Jr.	7	White, Teddy	7
Hastings, Ronald	7	Bilger, Joanne	7
Jacobs, Rex	7	Bressler, Joanne	9
Kimbrell, Henry	7	Hagan, Miriam	7
Luse, William	7	Johnson, Georgette	7
Matter, Robert	7	Leister, Janet	7
Michaels, John	8	Long, Luella	7
Settle, James	7	Michaels, Nancy	7
Smeltzer, Richard	6		

L. Geraldine Hoover, Teacher

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College

Grade 3

Fressler, Curry	11	Goodhart, Frank	7
Burris, Fred	8	Hearn, Kay	10

Jacobs, Ray	9	Emery, Evelyn	8
Long, Harry	10	Horner, Betty	9
Mowery, James	9	Lair, Jennie	8
Thoman, Lynn	9	Luse, Donna	8
Auman, Betty Jane	10	Meyers, Joanne	8
Bloom, Jean	8	Osman, Patricia	10
Bradford, Donna	8	Wert, Joanne	7
Brooks, Constance	8		

Grade 4

Dutrow, Ray	9	Burris, Frances	9
Fetterolf, Drew	9	Garbrick, Joanne	9
Ishler, Gene	10	Houtz, Wilma	10
McClenahan, Robert	9	Matter, Margaret	9
Noll, William	10	Settle, Joan	9
Stover, Lee	10	Vogt, Jane	9
Thoman, Arthur	9		

J. Ernest Wagner, Teacher

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College

Grade 5

Vogt, Bernard	9	Smith, Helen	11
Boozer, Dorothy	9	Brooks, Lewis	12
Potter, Eleanor	11	Runkle, Richard	9
Garbrick, Shirley	10	Bloom, Charles	11
Coble, Jean	11	Sharer, LeRoy	11
Myers, Richard	10	Jacobs, Patsy	11

Grade 6

Hocking, Richard	12	Faust, Miriam	11
Horner, Larue	14	Spotts, Margaret	11
Michael, Omer	11	Spyker, Ruth	11
Burris, Thelma	11	Wetzel, Clara Lou	11
Coble, Bernadine	13	Frazier, Miriam	11
Crater, Dorothy	12		

Russell W. Bohn, Teacher

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College - 4 yr. Course
Advanced work at Penn State College

Grade 7

Brooks, Gloria	12	McCormick, Edward	13
Brooks, Philip	15	Michael, Marian	13
Burris, Ruth	13	Smeltzer, Geraldine	13
Confer, Dale	11	Smeltzer, Mary	12
Dutrow, Junior	11	Sweeney, Betty	12
Emery, Marjorie	11	Weaver, Carl	14

Grade 8

Boozer, David	12	McClenahan, Junior	13
Bressler, Huling	16	Moyer, Robert	13
Brooks, Richard	12	Potter, Taylor	13
Brungart, Dean	12	Runkle, Janet	14
Confer, Myra	13	Sharer, Marvin	13
Crater, Calvin	15	Slack, Miriam	12
Crawford, Edwin	13	Spotts, Thelma	14
Daup, William	13	Smith, Margaret	13
Johnson, Betty	13	Vogt, Floyd	14
Luse, Dean	13	Whiteman, Anna	13

RURAL SCHOOLS

Plum Grove School—Lilae Brooks Johnson, Teacher
 State Permanent Certificate - Studied
 at Lock Haven Teacher's College and State College

Grade 1

Dutrow, Nevin	6	Grove, Teneia	6
Decker, Dorothy	6	Slack, Shirley	6

Grade 2

Fetterolf, Junior	6	Decker, Ailce	7
Baylets, Phyllis	7		

Grade 3

Bayets, Richard	8	Dutrow, Gladys	8
Homan, Evan	9		

Grade 4

Grove, William	10	Slack, Freddie	8
Grove, Ellerman	9	Fetterolf, Phyllis	9

Grade 5

Baylets, Billy	11	Puff, Betty	10
Dutrow, Eugene	10		

Grade 6

Homan, Donald	11	McCool, Alice	12
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Grade 7

Sharer, Marion	11	Dutrow, Alice	12
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Grade 8

Fetterolf, Glenn	13		
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Potters Mills Primary—Dorothy McMichael, Teacher
Graduate Bloomsburg State Teacher's College - 2 yr. Course

Grade 1

Brown, Donald	6	Peck, Jean	8
Funk, Eugene	7	Snaeffler, Nancy	6
Knupp, Thomas	6	Sweetwood, Barbara	6
Luse, George	6	Tompson, June	6
Neff, Philip	6	Weatherite, Marie	6
Dashem, John	6	Wyland, Martha	6
Jacobs, Pauline	6		

Grade 2

Brown, Edwin	7	Barger, Sara	7
Dashem, Dean	7	Hennigh, Margaret	7
Mothersbaugh, William	7	Hennigh, Mary	8
Shawver, Marlin	10	Neff, Margaret	10
Tressler, Carl	7	Smith, Delores	7
Workinger, Jay	9		

Grade 3

Confer, Alvin	8	Barger, Lorna	8
Confer, Richard	8	Faust, Janet	9
Funk, John Jr.	11	McCool, June	8
Royer, Roy	8	Neff, Sara	8
White, Jack	9	Shaeffer, Algie	9
Whitman, Robert	8	Yates, Peggy	8
Wyland, William	8		

Grade 4

Bloom, Leslie	10	Smith, Robert	9
Hennigh, Charles	10	Mothersbaugh, Sara	8
Royer, John	9	Neff, Lucille	9
Shawver, Nevin	12		

Potters Mills Grammar—Oscar W. Bierley, Teacher
Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College - 2 yr. Course

Grade 5

Faust, Jonas	9	Dashem, Phyllis	12
Phillips, Arthur	11	Palmer, Shirley	10
Shaeffer, Bruce	11	Royer, Jean	10
Shawver, Dean	14	Wyland, Marion	12
Confer, Esther	10	Mothersbaugh, Willard	11
Confer, Dorothy	11		

Grade 6

Brown, Harold	13	Shaeffer, Melvin	15
Funk, Robert	13	White, Floyd	13

Confer, Bernice	13	Worker, Naomi	13
Faust, Anna	13	Worker, Joyce	12
Hennigh, Ella	11	Yates, Shirley	10
Neff, Janet	10	Koch, Arnold	13
Smith, Louise	12		

Grade 7

Brown, Harry	14	Confer, Irene	15
Dashem, Bruce	16	Faust, Geraldine	11
Phillips, Donald	16	Meeker, Isabel	11
Rearick, Paul	12	Ross, Betty	12
White, George	14	Shaeffer, Betty	14

Grade 8

Dashem, Beatrice	14	Worker, Alma	15
Meeker, Betty	13	Whitman, Marlan	
Shawver, Betty	15		

Colyer School

Marion A. Brown, Teacher - College Certificate

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College 4 yr. Course

Grade 1

Heiser, Edward	6	Klinefelter, Grace	6
Sunday, Naomi	6	McClellan, Shirley	6

Grade 2

Heiser, Kay	7	Fye, Charles	8
Lingle, Norma	7	Reiber, Mary Frances	6
Fohringer, Earl	8	Hohman, Eugene	6

Grade 3

Shuey, John	13	Weaver, Boyd	10
McClellan, Harold	8	Stoner, Richard	8

Grade 4

Taylor, Orvis	12	Klinefelter, Samuel	11
Shuey, Dorsey	11	McClellan, Ray	10
Addleman, Geraldine	9	Stoner, Jean	9

Grade 5

Jordon, Beatrice	13	Stoner, John	13
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Grade 6

Brown, Phyliss	14	Coble, Lester	12
Brown, Oakey	12	Addleman, Richard	11
Fohringer, Naomi	10	Stoner, Martha	14

Grade 7

Heiser, Donnis	12	Fohringer, Emma	12
Shuey, Margaret	14	Bubb, Minnie	13

Grade 8

Heiser, Jacqueline	14	Fohringer, Ruby	15
Dashem, Harry	13	Horner, Bill	12
McClellan, Glenn	14	Wikins, Richard	13

Center Hill School—Bertha M. Sharer, Teacher

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College - 2 yr Course

Advance work at same school

Grade 1

Cox, Donald	6	Rossman, Ruth	6
Brown, Beverly	6	Kline, Edith	7
Wallace, Bruce	6		

Grade 2

Keller, Shuman	7	Rossman, Faye	7
Kline, Calvin	10	Addleman, Cherry Ann	7

Grade 3

Smith, Laura	8
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Grade 4

Shunk, Robert	8	Ripka, Grace	9
Rossman, Emma	9		

Grade 5

Keller, Russell	10	Cox, Ralph	10
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Grade 6

Rossman, Lester	10	Decker, Kathrine	12
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Grade 7

Ripka, Wava	11	Lott, Emmett	12
Smith, Carl	12	Cox, Lewis	12

Grade 8

Keller, Ward	13	Kline, Margaret	14
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Tussey Sink School—George W. Sweeney, Teacher

State Permanent Certificate—

Work at Lock Haven Teacher's College

Grade 2

Rimmey, Ralph	6
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Grade 3

Zerby, Beulah 8

Grade 4

Miller, Guy	8	Rishel, Paul	8
Rimmey, Mary Jane	8	Young, Virginia	9

Grade 5

Rimmey, Harold 10

Grade 7

Rimmey, Joseph	12	Rishel, Charles	11
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Grade 8

Neff, Steward	12	Zerby, Goldie	15
Rimmey, David	13		

Tusseyville School—Dorothy B. Pipes, Teacher

Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College, 4 yr. Course

Grade 1

Garis, Bernice	7	Wasson, Franklin	6
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Grade 2

Weaver, Kenneth	7	Snare, Russell	7
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Grade 3

Yonkers, Maxine	11	Meyers, Robert	9
Weaver, Robert	8		

Grade 4

Brouse, Richard 9

Grade 5

Weaver, Violet	9	Lingle, Mildred	11
Meyer, Wayne	11	Yonkers, Robert	10
Runkle, Frederick	12	Weaver, Lawrence	11
Klinefelter, Betty	10		

Grade 6

Klinefelter, Donald 15

Grade 7

Runkle, Caroline	14	Brouse, Emma Jean	11
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Grade 8

Slutterbeck, Marian	15	Smith, Bryce	13
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Earlstown School—Esther P. Hastings, Teacher
 Graduate Lock Haven Teacher's College - 2 yr. Course

Grade 1

Delaney, Marian	6	Horner, Clarence	6
Renninger, Mary	7	Lansberry, Darl	7
Grove, Chester	5		

Grade 2

Tressler, Jack	8	Ralston, Sylvia	6
Horner, Hayes	8	Rimmey, Ruth	7
Tressler, Wayne	7	Schaeffer, Nancy	7
Grove, Marian	7		

Grade 3

Tressler, Maylon	12	Royer, Francis	7
Weaver, Daniel	7		

Grade 4

Blazer, Henry	9	Snyder, David	8
Lansberry, Drew	9	Hackett, Fay	9
Moyer, Gerald	10	Horner, Alice	11
Reish, George	8		

Grade 5

Auman, Jean	9	Ralston, Helen	10
Glasgow, Betty	9	Ralston, Ralph	10
Horner, Hubert	9		

Grade 6

Horner, Mary	13	Moyer, Stanley	13
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Grade 7

Lansberry, Delbert	13	Ralston, Herbert	11
Miller, Randall	12	Reish, James	12

Grade 8

Hackett, Grace	12	Moyer, Lois	16
Lansberry, Sherwood	15	Noll, David	15
Moyer, Lillian	16	Ralston, Louise	15

CENTRE HALL-POTTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
WHO ARE ATTENDING SCHOOLS OF HIGHER LEARNING
(Indicating Year Graduated from Centre Hall-Potter High School)

1940

Bradford, Dean C.—Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
Fye, Leona I.—Training for Nursing, Altoona, Pa.

1939

Bradford, Harold F.—Penna. State College, State College, Pa.
Haskell, Mary Ellen—Williamsport Commercial School,
Williamsport, Pa.
Homan, Miriam F.—Beauty Culture School, Harrisburg, Pa.
Kerlin, William H.—Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
Rimmey, Goldie B.—Training for Nursing, Philipsburg, Pa.
Ross, Jean M.—Altoona School of Commrce, Altoona, Pa.

1938

Fetterolf, Miriam E.—Beauty Culture School, Harrisburg, Pa.
Gerhart, Robert P.—Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
Haskell, Helen M.—Williamsport Commercial School,
Williamsport, Pa.
Homan, Mildred I.—Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
Kirkpatrick, John A. H.—School of Photography, New York City
Slack, M. Jean—Potts Commercial School, Williamsport, Pa.

1936

Frazier, Bernice E.—Williamsport Commercial School,
Williamsport, Pa.

Since the preceeding material concerning our schools was printed we are privileged, by special arrangement with the printers, to record here the teaching staff of the borough and township schools for the 1941-1942 term. It will be noted that quite a few changes have been made. We also list the First Grade enrollment in the Centre Hall Grade School.

TEACHING STAFF FOR 1941-1942
HIGH SCHOOL

J. F. Wetzel, Supervising Principal
David I. Graybill, Ass't. Prin., Mathematics and Science
Paul D. Breon, Social Studies and English
Lock Haven State Teachers College

Donald R. Rose, Physical Education and History
Washington & Jefferson, B. A.
University of Pittsburgh, M. A.

Beverly Hall, Latin and English
Pennsylvania State College

Donald R. Shope, Music and General Science

CENTRE HALL BOROUGH GRADES

Bertha M. Sharer, Grades 1 and 2

L. Geraldine Hoover, Grades 3 and 4

J. Ernest Wagner, Grades 5 and 6

Russell W. Bohn, Grades 7 and 8

RURAL SCHOOLS - Potter Township

Plum Grove, Esther P. Hastings

Centre Hill, Mrs. Hazel Burkholder Zellers
Millersville State Teachers College

Earlstown, Mrs. Lilae Brooks Johnson

Tusseyville, Dorothy C. Pipes

Tussey Sink, George W. Sweeney

Colyer, Mildred Evans

Bloomsburg State Teachers College

Potters Mills, Grades 1 - 4, Dorothy I. McMichael
Grades 5 - 8, Oscar W. Bierly

CENTRE HALL GRADE SCHOOL

First Grade Enrollment 1941-1942

Brooks, Buddy

Barry Coldron

Dutrow, Lynn E.

Lair, Eugene

Luse, Keith D.

Martz, Robert S.

Meyer, Clifford Jr.

Meyer, William

Stover, Ronald

Williams, Thomas

Brown, Miriam

*Fye, Mabel R.

*Hastings, Marjorie W.

Hearn, Gayle L.

Knarr, Josephine M.

Matter, Kathryn

Kerestis, Christine A.

*Struble, Barbara

Venerick, Charlotte

Zellers, Nancy

* Those from Potter Township

CENTRE HALL AND COMMUNITY

(In Verse)

Centre Hall has never been an industrial center, rather a community of homes, hence the vast majority of our youth are forced to seek their fortunes beyond the shadows of old Mount Nittany.

Hundreds have gone to the four corners of the earth in pursuit of employment, many entering professional careers, holding positions of trust, and a goodly number have answered the call to the Ministry and are successfully serving large congregations.

There are those of us who have found it possible and convenient to make the "Old Home Town" our permanent residence.

As a special contribution to this book we are happy to present "Memories of Centre Hall", by Centre Hall's own poet, Harvey Wagner Flink, who has justly earned national recognition for his ability.

MEMORIES OF CENTRE HALL

Centre Hall—Centre Hall—
Long, long ago,
When a "girl friend" was a belle
And a "boy friend" was a beau.

The town of Centre Hall
Is drowsy and serene;
Its cheery houses nestle
Under boughs of green.

The dark blue of the mountains,
The bright blue of the sky:
A pleasant place to live,
A quiet place to die.

In horse and buggy days,
On every Saturday night,
Main Street flowed with people,
Windows blazed with light.

Becky Murray's chocolate
Or her lemon ice—
A lick would be a bargain
Today at any price.

Concerts in the Grange Hall,
Baseball on "the field:"
Undying golden flowers
The gardens of memory yield!

At the end of the busy Summer
We 'tended the Granger's Fair,
And many and many a romance
Had its beginning there.

Chestnuts in the Autumn,
Arbutus in the Spring—
We wouldn't have wanted to miss
Those times for anything!

Sleigh rides in the Winter
Through the falling snow:
Centre Hall—Centre Hall—
Long, long ago.

—Harvey Wagner Flink

Verse by Harvey Wagner Flink, of Centre Hall, has appeared in the following magazines and newspapers: Good Housekeeping, The Literary Digest, Love Story Magazine, Weird Tales, Kaleidograph, Expression, Whispers, Scimitar and Song, American Weave, The Country Bard, The Quickening Seed Cycle, Color and Rhyme Art Bulletin, Calligraphs, Blue Moon, The Notebook, Facets, Reflections, Port O' Poets Magazine, Verse-Land, The Poet, Hilltop Magazine, Embryo, The Poets' Scroll, Inspiration, The Kansas City Star, The St. Paul Pioneer Press, The Harford Times, The Paterson Morning Call, The Pompton Lakes Bulletin, The Bonner Springs Chieftain, The San Marino Tribune, The Plainfield Courier-News, The Harrisburg Telegraph, The Williamsport Sun, The Centre Daily Times, The Centre Reporter and others.

The poet has also contributed to the following anthologies: The North America Book of Verse (Harrison), Contemporary American Men Poets (Harrison), Bright Excalibur (Kaleidograph), Anthology of Magazine Verse for 1934 (Paebur), American Lyric Poetry—1936 (Galleon), The Yearbook of Contemporary Poetry 1936 (Avon House) and others.

"Verse Forms—Old and New" (Kaleidograph), a handbook for poets, includes "Flawed Mirrors" by Harvey W. Flink.

"The Plowshare" was written by request for the National Council for Prevention of War. This sonnet is available in a brochure called "Farm Youth Talks About War."

"The Fisherman", which appeared in Good Housekeeping Magazine, was read by Ted Malone over the NBC Blue Network on one of his "Between the Book Ends" programs.

Mr. Flink also assisted a pupil of his, Mrs. Ada R. Butz, in publishing her book of verse, "My Altar of Dreams".

He has received prizes for the following examples of his art: "Organist", "Flawed Mirrors", "The Luckflower", "The Oak", "Autumn", "The Red Bird", "Hawkweed" and "Experiences".

This local writer has also written two religious pageants which were produced in St. Luke's Lutheran Church. Their titles are: "A Christmas Eve Conversion" and "The Turn of A Dial". The latter was given as part of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of dedication in 1936.

Following are several contributions by Mr. Flink that have appeared, from time to time, in the pages of the "Centre Reporter":

PENNINGTON CEMETERY

Close up to Nittany Mountain,
Upon a wooded hill,
There is a cemetery
Where all is strangely still.
The sunlight on the marble
Lights up an epitaph,
A cross, a crown, a halo,
A Shepherd with His Staff.
Secluded from the highroad,
A spot the wild things shun
For fear that they may waken
A long-dead Pennington.

OLD FORT HILL

Tonight the moon is redder
Than a bowl of human blood,
And, low and full, it lightens
The dusk-hung neighborhood.
The sultry air is throbbing
To an unheard tom-tom beat;
The tall dead grass is swishing
Beneath the tread of feet.
And here I linger, watching
Dim, warlike forms advance,
For on the Old Fort Hilltop
The ghosts of Indians dance.

STONE MILL

Along a hidden by-road,
Near peaceful Tusseyville,
There stands a single pillar -
The ruin of Stone Mill.
Here, where the Nightshade's poison
Upon the breeze is born,

Of old the farmers gathered
To grind their wheat and corn;
Here, where the ghostly marsh lights
On summer evenings burn,
The schoolboy used to linger
To watch the mill wheel turn.
Far from the haunts of tourists,
Amid a silence vast,
This monument is standing,
A tribute to the past.

THE VIEW FROM NITTANY

The top of Nittany Mountain
Is such a pleasant place.
Among the purple clover
And filmy Queen Anne's lace
There stands a spacious platform—
A balcony in space.

Here tourist, you must linger
And lean upon the rail:
Beneath you is Penn's Valley—
A smiling little vale;
And to you comes a welcome
From field, and wood, and trail.

See, there to Southward stretches
The town of Centre Hall,
With thoroughfare tree-lined . . .
Ah, though it is quite small,
It is, in all the country,
The finest town of all!

Beyond the Seven Mountains
Are veiled in purple haze—
The land of marshy meadows,
And long untraveled ways;
The land of ghostly legends,
And stories that amaze.

Italians have a saying:
"See Naples and then die;"
But this to Pennsylvania
I beg leave to apply;
There's nothing like Penn's Valley
Beneath the azure sky.

GRANGER'S FAIR

All hail, to Granger's Picnic,
The chief of all events!

This week the crowded highways
Lead to the town of tents.
All hail, to Granger's Picnic
And stirring incidents!

The exhibition building,
With its four spacious wings,
Its tale of wealth and culture
To visitors now brings;
For here are garden products,
Fine fruits and fancy things.

The barns are interesting—
The poultry house is, too—
With horses, sheep and cattle—
With laying hens to view;
And automobile dealers
Have cars to show to you.

The crowds are surging forward,
Like waves in restless seas;
Some pausing where the band plays
Beneath the maple trees,
And some go to the ball ground,
Where games are sure to please.

At night the revels center
About the lighted stands;
The daring seek amusements
Of many kinds and brands,
While happy lovers loiter
And hold each other's hands.

At last the crowd grows thinner,
Less lively is the fun.
The Ferris Wheel is idle,
The Wave has ceased to run;
The cars are starting homeward—
Another day is done.

And after all is silent,
Except the cricket's drone.
A happy spirit wanders
About the grounds, alone -
The spirit of the founder,
The kindly Leonard Rhone.

PENN'S CAVE

Sometimes on Summer evenings,
When haze hangs like a veil
Across the hemlock forests
That line Brush Valley trail,
The echoes of Penn's Cavern
Retell this doleful tale:-

There was an Indian maiden
Whose name was Nita Nee;
She, daughter of a chieftain,
Was graceful as a tree,
Alas, she loved a trader -
A Paleface lad was he.

Beside these dark green waters
The two would often meet;
What friend or foe could find them
In this rock-hung retreat?
One day they heard a clamor--
The sound of tramping feet.

The maiden's seven brothers,
Each one a stalwart brave,
Out hunting for the brother,
Had come upon the cave;
They did not want THEIR sister
To be a white man's slave.

Two held the sobbing Nita;
The others mastered him . . .
He struggled in the water,
And then began to swim.
He gained the ledge; his fingers
Clung to the jagged rim.

With tomahawks the Indians
Hacked at the trader's wrists;
The water's green grew bloody
Before he would desist.
His sweetheart saw him bleeding,
With eyes grown dim in mist.

At last, straight thro' the cavern
That into blackness dips,
He swam and reached a chamber
Where icy water drips;
Here perished Nita's lover,
Her name upon his lips.

CENTRE HALL IN OCTOBER

The trees are turning yellow,
The trees are tipped with brown;
And while from blackened branches
The leaves are floating down,
The autumn wind is weaving
A carpet for the town.

Yes, friends, it is October;
The air is fresh and keen;

The heights of Nittany mountain
Are mottled with gold and green;
And, after work, the hunter
Makes sure his gun is clean.

Stop in our little village,
O happy tourist-folk,
And you will see the blueness
Of skies undimmed by smoke;
For here no factory chimney
Spreads out its sooty cloak.

TO THE RED MILL

You stood so many ages
Beside your silver dam,
That, to the sheik and flapper
Your name was but a sham.

You were decayed and blackened -
But still sedate and quaint -
For wind and rain and sunshine
Had stripped you of your paint.

You served Penn's Valley farmers;
You worked the whole day long;
No matter what the season
Your mill-wheel sang its song.

Then, like a wounded viking
Upon his funeral pyre,
You bade farewell and vanished
In one great blaze of fire.

TO POTTERS MILLS

A man came down your highroad
One summer day at dawn;
His eyes were large and liquid,
His lips were thin and wan.

His locks were brown and weblike -
They floated in the air -
And on his face were sculptured
The lines of gloom and care.

He saw the dark pines rising
Above your rock-strewn hills,
And heard the ceaseless droning
That comes from busy mills.

He reached your red-brick tavern
And read the faded sign;
And entering the barroom,
He called for spring-cooled wine.

He wrote his name and address
Within the calf-bound tome,
And in the tiny bedroom
He made himself at home.
Three days the stranger tarried,
Then paid the jovial host;
And in the Seven Mountains
He vanished like a ghost.
O Potters Mills, proud village,
Some ninety years ago
Your road-dust bore the footprints
Of Edgar Allen Poe.

BEAR MEADOWS

(A Sonnet)

There lies a lake within a hidden land
Whose stagnant waters are as black as ink;
The bull-frogs croak upon its miry brink;
And no man dares to cross the sucking sand.
Tall huckleberry trees in marshes stand,
And deer and other wild things come to drink
Where rhododendron flowers, white and pink,
Bloom large as orchids on a Torrid strand.

This is the red man's Happy Hunting Ground;
And when the flaming sun has gone to rest
Beyond the seventh mountain's purple crest.
White moths dart thro' the gloom without a
sound;
They are the souls of Indians dead and gone
That haunt this paradise until the dawn.

THE BOY SCOUTS

They are not little angels -
I would not have them so,
For wings are not becoming
To fellows here below;
Yet some day civic leaders
From these same boys will grow.

They like to go a-hiking
Along a mountain trail;
Like bears, or deer, or wild cats
The logs and rocks they scale,
They are young knights a-seeking
The gleaming holy grail!

They love to go a-camping
In balmy Summer days,
Where creek and pathway capture
Apollo's golden rays,
They do a good turn daily,
And do it not for praise.

They swim, and bask in sunlight
Until their hides grow tan;
They learn to cook their dinners
Without a pot or pan;
And when they are on duty
They do the best they can.

They are not little angels -
I would not have them so -
They are as full of mischief
As brownie elves; but oh,
They are the finest fellows
That I shall ever know!

SONG OF THE FARMER

Today I gather apples
The wind has tumbled down.
Tomorrow, with my wagon,
I haul them into town.

Two barrels of sweet cider
I shall bring back with me.
A farmer's life in Autumn
Is as jolly as can be.

Behind my cozy farmhouse
The next day I shall light
A fire, before the morning
Has chased away the night.

Beneath the great black kettle
The flames will glimmer red,
And cook brown apple butter
To eat with snowy bread.

MEMBERSHIP

Following is an alphabetically arranged list of members of the Centre Hall Fire Company who are residents of the borough of Centre Hall. The list comprises all who have become members since the incorporation of the new company, February 5, 1940.

Alexander, W. Abner
Auman, Victor A.
Arney, Charles

Bradford, David W.
Bradford, Paul
Bradford, W. Frank
Bradford, Harold E.
Bradford, D. Milton
Bradford, Robert E.
Bradford, James A.
Bloom, Donald
Bradford, J. William
Bradford, Philip
Bechtol, William
Breon, Robert
Bohn, John
Bressler, Edward
Bohn, Daniel C.
Breon, Lynn
Brown, Kenneth
Breon, Paul
Renner, George O.
Bitner, Samuel H.
Brooks, R. Stanley
Bohn, Russell
Burkholder, Carl
Boozer, J. Shannon
Boozer, C. William
Brooks, Richard
Bohn, Harold
Burkholder, Eugene

Confer, Leroy
Confer, C. D.
Confer, Wm. R.
Coldron, Jack
Coldron, John M.
Coldron, Chas.
Carson, George
Coldron, Meredith M.

Daup, Daniel S.
Daup, Daniel
Dutrow, P. LeRoy
Dutrow, Clyde

Emery, Howard E.
Emerick, Benj.
Emery, Albert L.
Emery, W. I.

Fetterolf, Paul
Foust, James
Fye, Harry E.
Frank, Ernest A.
Frank, Kenneth
Frank, F. K.
Flink, Harvey W.
Fisher, Frank M.

Goodhart, Frank V.
Gross, Harry
Geary, Frank P.
Grove, B. Gardner
Gates, Paul
Graybill, David I.
Gross, Frank
Gingerich, Rome
Garbrick, Vernon
Garbrick, Lester H.

Hanna, William B.
Henney, Wilbur A.
Henshall, P. P.
Hartley, Lawrence
Harper, Harry
Hagan, Ralph S.
Homan, Fred
Homan, William H.
Homan, Clayton H.
Heckman, John A.
Hosterman, Thomas A.
Hartlev, Bruce
Herr, Max

Ishler, Marvin
Irvin, G. Musser
Jamison, Roy S.
Johnson, Mahlon
Kirkpatrick, Rev. J. M.
Keller, William F.
Krebs, LeRoy

Klinefelter, A. A.
 Knarr, John H.
 Kimbrell, C. H.
 King, Harry H.
 Keller, David K.
 Kerlin, William W.
 Keener, Rev. D. R.
 Kirkpatrick, Jack A. H.
 Knarr, Bruce H.
 Krape, Alfred P.
 Luse, Fred E.
 Luse, Perry H.
 Light, Dr. Charles H.
 Lutz, George L.
 Leister, Blaine
 Lingle, W. H.
 Lutz, James
 Lambert, Howard J.
 Mark, Andrew F.
 McClintick, William
 Miller, Edgar W.
 Mitterling, D. Cleveland
 Martz, Paul B.
 Myers, James
 Meyers, Albert E.
 McClenahan, Robert
 McClellan, Vinton
 Myers, Merl E.
 Mark, Harvey H.
 McClintick, Dale
 Miller, Charles A.
 Matter, Garman A.
 Martz, George W.
 Meyers, Clarence
 Meyers, John F.
 McClenahan, Philip
 Meyers, Lee
 Mark, H. Ray
 Miller, Don
 Meyer, Orvis
 Moyer, Frank
 Martz, John A.
 Michaels, Ferone
 Meyers, Clifford
 McClenahan, I. Clymer
 McClenahan, Charles
 McClenahan, Jack
 Noll, David T.
 Otto, Rev. Clarence C.

Puff, John H.
 Packer, L. O.
 Packer, Ralph W.
 Potter, Harry W.
 Rickert, Reuben
 Riegel, Sidney T.
 Rossman, Norman
 Rishel, John E.
 Royer, J. Elmer
 Rimmey, George K.
 Runkle, Wallace S.
 Runkle, John
 Reish, Harry C.
 Shope, Donald
 Smeltzer, Orvis
 Shoop, William D.
 Snyder, Lawrence N.
 Slonaker, C. D.
 Searson, James
 Sweeney, George
 Smeltzer, Dean
 Stover, George H.
 Spyker, William D.
 Sharer, Jacob, Sr.
 Sharer, Franklin
 Searson, George
 Shively, Philip
 Smeltzer, Domer
 Smith, G. Frank
 Stover, Wilbur O.
 Soyker, Chester A.
 Slack, Charles W.
 Slack, John
 Spencer, Robert
 Thoman, Arthur
 Vogt, Edward, Sr.
 Vogt, Edward, Jr.
 Vogt, George J.
 Wetzel, Jacob F.
 Wetzel, Bob
 Wert, John, Sr.
 Wykes, Stanley A.
 White, Henry
 Wagner, E. Clayton
 Wagner, Chester A.
 Wert, John, Jr.
 Wagner, J. Ernest
 Whiteman, John
 Whiteman, Ralph
 White, Dr. H. R.

Zettle, Ervin E.

Zellers, Paul

Undoubtedly a Ladies' Auxiliary will be formed in the not too distant future. These, who reside within the borough, have joined the Centre Hall Fire Company:

Auman, Mrs. Elsie B.

Brooks, Mrs. Gladys

Bartholomew, Mrs. Annie

Bartholomew, Miss Jennie

Bartholomew, Miss Jean

Boozer, Mrs. Lena M.

Brooks, Mrs. Annie

Boozer, Mrs. Ethel, R.

Bloom, Mrs. Alda

Bartholomew, Miss Helen

Bartholomew, Miss Elizabeth

Boal, Miss Martha

Coldron, Mrs. Miriam

Coldron, Mrs. Abbie M.

Derstine, Miss Rebecca

Dauberman, Mrs. Mary

Emerick, Miss Carrie Belle

Frank, Mrs. Adaline

Feidler, Mrs. Lizzie

Floray, Mrs. Lavina

Freeman, Miss Jane

Heckman, Mrs. Elizabeth B.

Huyett, Mrs. Kate M.

Henney, Mrs. Grace

Hesterman, Miss Estella

Henney, Mrs. Lucy

Jacobs, Miss Margaret

Kryder, Mrs. Nevin

Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Marie C.

Kling, Mary D.

Knarr, Mrs. Jane

Leelin, Mrs. Freda H.

Lieb, Mrs. Carrie S.

Lee, Mrs. Laura

Luce, Miss Cora A.

Mark, Mrs. Andrew F.

Moltz, Miss Doris

Martz, Miss Kathryn

Martz, Mrs. Flo.

Martz, Miss Anna Mae

Martz, Mrs. John

Odenkirk, Dora M.

Potter, Miss Mary Delinda

Runkle, Miss Laura S.

Riegel, Mrs. Sidney T.

Runkle, Mrs. Wallace

Reiber, Mrs. Della A.

Sharer, Miss Bertha

Slack, Mrs. Chas.

Smith, Mrs. Jennie L.

Vogt, Mrs. Laura

Whiteman, Mrs. Florence

The following, who do not reside within the borough limits, but within the territory served by the Centre Hall Fire Company, are also members. (Addresses are Centre Hall R. F. D. unless otherwise indicated):

Arney, Bruce

Arney, I. Mervin

Burkholder, Mrs. John H.

Bland, Wilbur H.

Bradford, Clyde E.

Brown, Samuel, Spring Mills

Bierly, W. S.

Burkholder, John H.

Blazier, Clarence

Bloom, Daniel B.

Burris, Harry

Brown, Harry, Spring Mills

Burkholder, Morris A.

Brooks, Lee

Brooks, James D.

Bohn, Wallace

Coldorn, Mrs. Carrie

Crawford, Geo. Alfred

Carson, Joseph M., Spring Mills

Coldron, Musser E.

Crawford, Newton S.	Neff, C. Robert
Caldron, Donald	Neff, Harry A.
Campbell, William P.	Noll, W. T.
Durst, J. Harold	Palmer, Frank, Spring Mills
Delaney, John Thomas	Putz, J. LeRoy
Delaney, Earl	Rickert, Mrs. Alma
Delaney, John	Rachau, Mrs. Emma
Dutrow, Claude	Royer, Nevin
Dutrow, John	Ramer, Charles P.
Eungart, Kenneth, Spring Mills	Ripka, Bruce W., Spring Mills
Eye, Mrs. Blanche	Reiber, Curtis B.
Frazier, Robert, Spring Mills	Runkle, Bruce
Frohm, James	Rishel, Andrew
Frazier, Earl, Spring Mills	Ralston, B. Hayes
Fogleman, W. E., Spring Mills	Rimmey, John
Goodhart, George L.	Ripka, Dean, Spring Mills
Goodhart, James C.	Sweetwood, Ray
Grove, Harrison H.	Spayd, Paul
Hackett, Miss Sara	Stoner, Charles S.
Homan, W. Ernest, Spring Mills	Spicher, Russell, Pleasant Gap
Hackett, Geo. L.	Schaeffer, Roy
Homan, Ralph G.	Slack, J. Fred
Heckman, George, Jr.	Schaeffer, John R.
Hastings, Carl	Smith, Charles B.
Horner, Samuel	Sharer, Ray J.
Johnson, Mrs. George	Sharer, Geo. W.
Johnson, George	Treaster, John F.
Laird, Russell	Thomas, Mrs. Ruth, Spring Mills
Lutz, Earl	Tressler, Ralph
Luse, Ralph	Vonada, Lloyd, Spring Mills
Lansberry, Dayton W.	Williams, C. C.
Lingle, Paul	Weaver, Lawrence
Luse, William C.	Wolfe, Harry R.
Laughner, Edward, Spring Mills	Wert, Kenneth
Mowry, Mrs. John	Wasson, Paul
Mark, Russell E., Spring Mills	Weaver, Eugene
Miller, Charles M.	Weaver, P. B., Lemont
Miller, Clarence T.	Wagner, Vernon G.
McCormick, George H., Spring Mills	Weaver, William B.
Moyer, Russell	Williams, Harold
Musser, Clarence T.	Ziegler, Robert
	Zettle, Roy

From Coast to Coast, friends and former residents of Centre Hall have nobly responded to our appeal for membership in the new Centre Hall Fire Company, and it is a pleasure to list these members on this and the following pages.

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Auman, Mrs. B. C., 3925 5th St., Poland, Ohio
Arney, A. Miles, Box 473, Niagara Falls, N. Y.
Auman, Carl A. Salem, Ohio

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Bender, Fred 532 W. College Ave., State College, Pa.
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Bailey, Edw. E., Lewistown, Pa.
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 Foreman, Ira, Lewisburg, Tennessee
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Schaeffer, Gervin K., McAllisterville, Pa.

Sheffer, C. F., Dewart, Pa.

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Wolf, William, Ardmore, Pa.

Weaver, P. B., Lemont, Pa.

And now we bring our book to a close. If you have enjoyed reading these pages, then we feel we have been well repaid for the many months required to assemble the data presented.

By no means do we present this book with the thought of being a masterpiece. Rather it is, may we say, a rambling story of events persons and places.

Your committee desires to express their sincere appreciation to the many individuals who have assisted, to the firms whose advertisements have made this book possible and to the professional men who have made liberal cash donations, with their expressions of wishes for our success, - and to all the Members, both Honorary and Active,, for their liberal response.

Our chief regret is that we could not enlarge upon the scope of interesting material. To the files of the "Centre Reporter", printed weekly in Centre Hall from January, 1868 to February 29, 1940, we are glad to give credit for the major portion of our copy. Your committee searched 14,432 pages from which to reproduce the "high lights" of the Old Home Town.

We have found over seventeen thousand (17,000) deaths recorded in the pages of the "Centre Reporter" and likewise many thousands of weddings, silver and golden weddings, yet lack of space has prompted us to omit these, save for a few deaths occurring under unusual circumstances.

For the benefit of any reader who may wish to visit Centre Hall, - and we extend a cordial invitation to all to do so, - and should you entertain fears of being unable to locate the little old town, we present herewith detail of our location (Authority U. S. Weather Bureau and State Geological Bureau) :

Latitude: 40 degrees, 50 minutes;

Longitude: 70 degrees, 42 minutes, west;

Altitude: 1375 feet above sea level;

Top of Nittany Mountain (directly north of
Centre Hall) : 2240 ft. above sea level;

State Highway (where crosses top of Nittany
Mountain) : 1809 ft. above sea level.

Respectfully,

William Wagner Kerlin

Charles William Boozer

William Blauser Hanna

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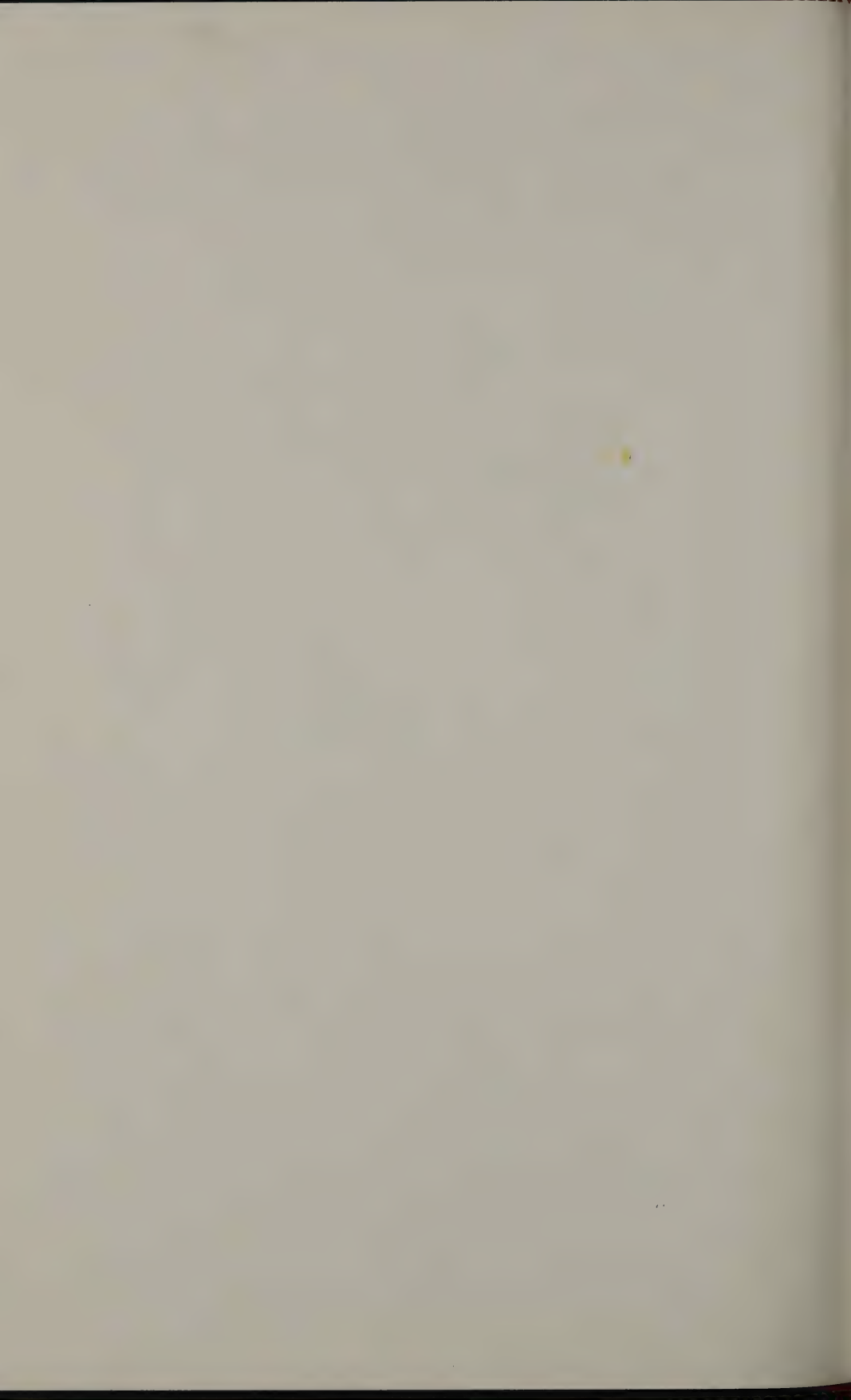
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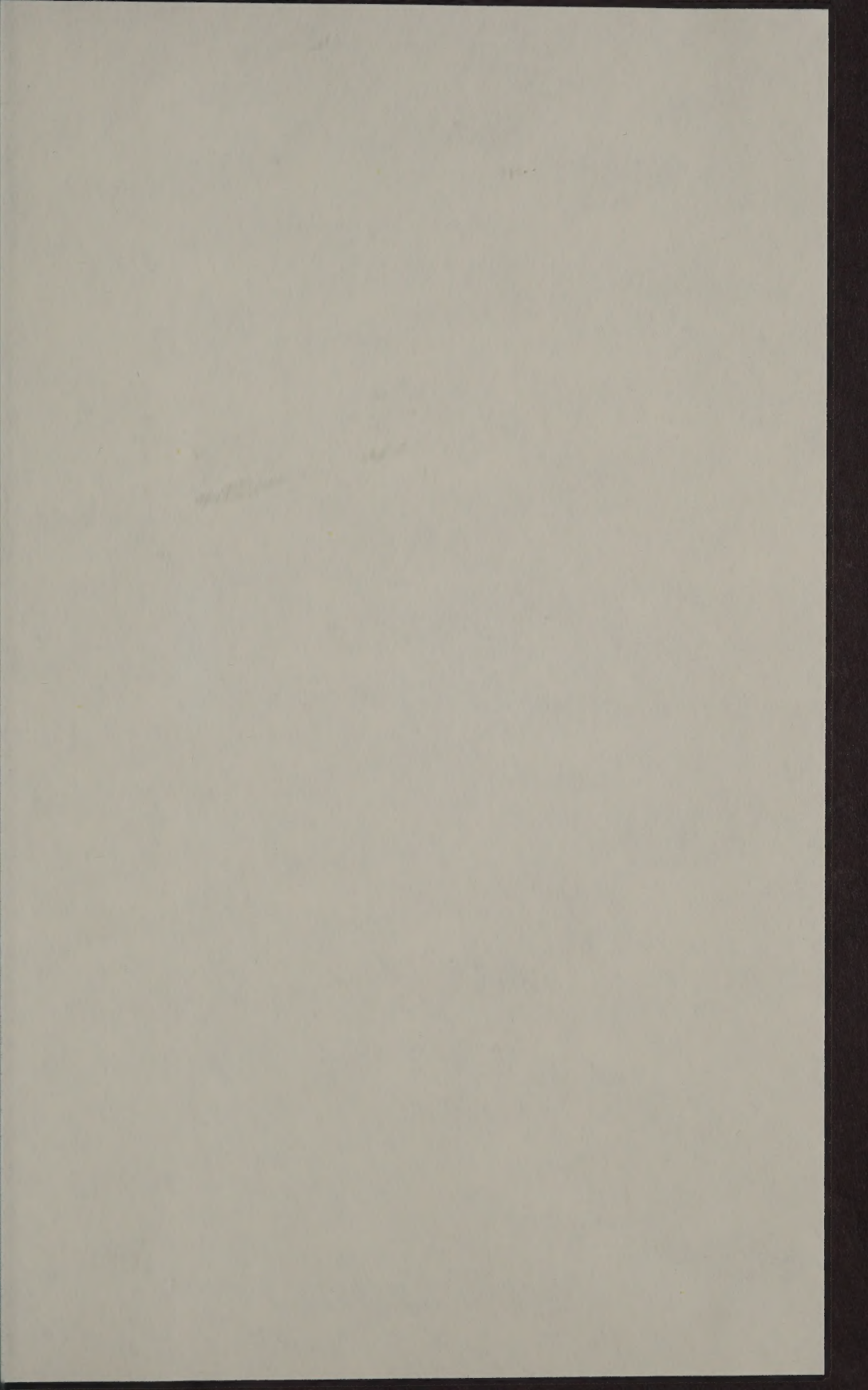
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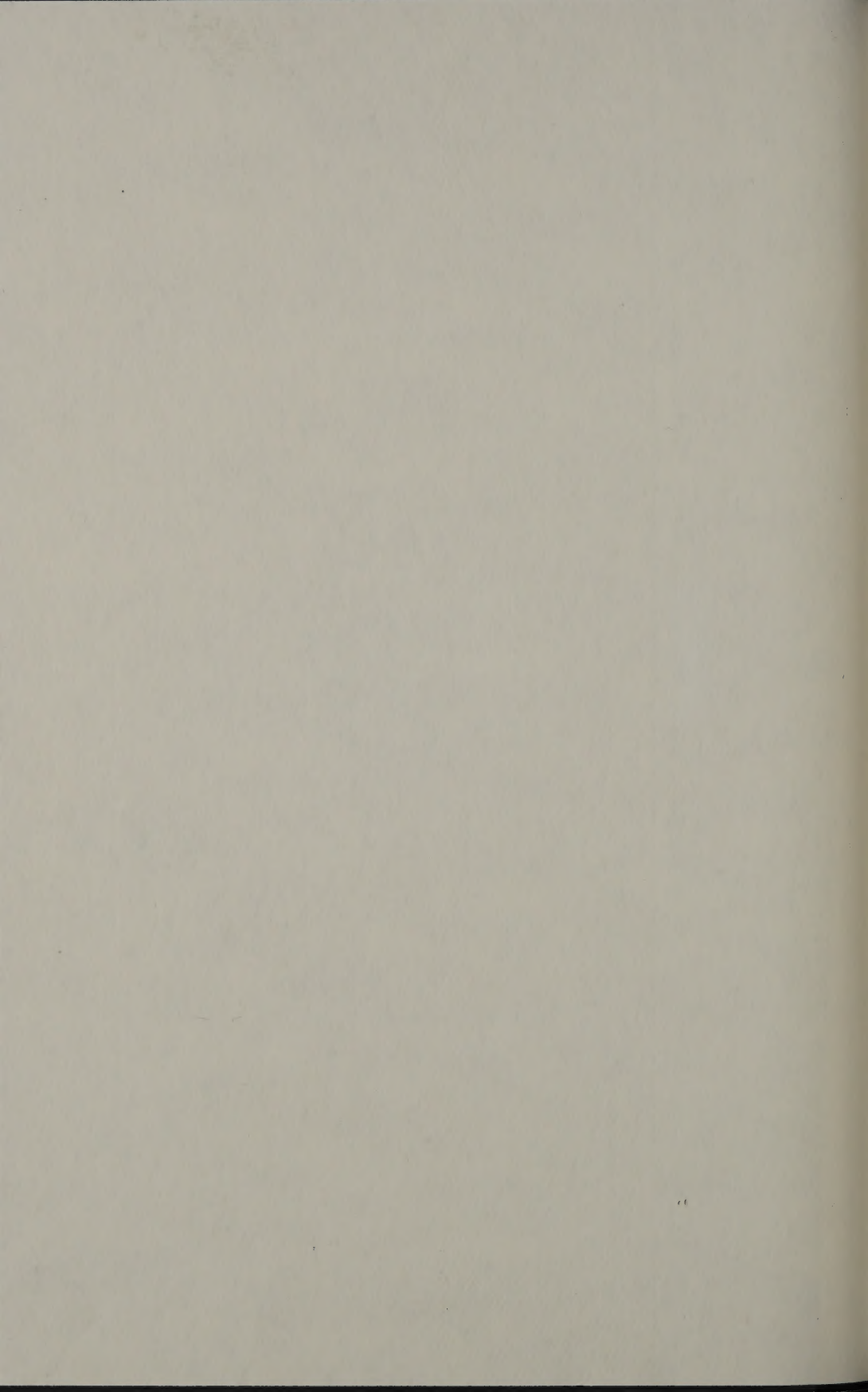
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